

**FIFTY-THIRD DAY**

(Monday, May 2, 1955)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Senator Hardeman.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Moore
Ashley	Owen
Bracewell	Parkhouse
Colson	Phillips
Fly	Ratliff
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Lane	Shireman
Latimer	Strauss
Lock	Wagonseller
McDonald	Willis
Moffett	

Absent—Excused

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation as follows:

"Our Father, we pray that the precariousness of these times may turn all our minds to Thee; and, as a little child comes to its father, we would come bringing our disfigured failures to Thee, asking that Thou wilt make of them a thing of beauty and a joy forever. For Christ's sake. Amen."

On motion of Senator Bracewell, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, April 28, 1955, were dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

**Leaves of Absence**

Senator Martin was granted leave of absence for today on account of an important assignment (Acting Governor in the absence from the State of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor) on motion of Senator Aikin.

Senator Weinert was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness in the family on motion of Senator Aikin.

Senator Corbin was granted leave

of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Senator Wagonseller.

**Senate Bill 428 on First Reading**

Senator Latimer moved that Senate Rule 114 and Section 5 of Article III of the State Constitution be suspended to permit his introducing at this time a bill, the provisions of which he explained.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—28

Aikin	Moore
Ashley	Owen
Bracewell	Parkhouse
Colson	Phillips
Fly	Ratliff
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Lane	Shireman
Latimer	Strauss
Lock	Wagonseller
McDonald	Willis
Moffett	

Absent—Excused

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

The following bill was then introduced, read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

By Senator Latimer:

S. B. No. 428, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing any city including any city operating under a Home Rule Charter, having outstanding water revenue bonds whose net revenues from its waterworks system for each of the two fiscal years next preceding the date when it avails itself of this law are equal to or exceeds two hundred per cent of the requirements of principal and interest on such outstanding bonds for the year when such requirements are the greatest, to issue for the express purpose of providing funds for the refunding or redemption of its outstanding water system revenue bonds, general obligation bonds, and to be entitled to have paid into its general fund from its waterworks system revenues like amounts as would have been payable on the water system revenue bonds refunded or redeemed, in addition to

any such payments provided by the terms of any contract regarding the issuance of its water system revenue bonds; to enter into contracts for refunding said outstanding bonds or in aid of such refunding; providing for the issuance of additional parity bonds, subject to encumbrance of outstanding revenue bonds not refunded; securing such parity bonds by pledge of revenues and, if deemed advisable, by a mortgage on the physical properties; providing for the issuance of additional water system revenue bonds upon authorization by a majority vote of the duly qualified tax-paying voters; providing that such city may deposit money with State Treasurer sufficient to pay bonds not refunded, with interest to maturity dates; prescribing the duties of State Treasurer as to the use of such deposited funds; providing that the official bond of the State Treasurer shall protect such deposited funds; providing for the approval of such additional bonds by the Attorney General and prescribing the effect thereof; providing for the validation of any outstanding water system revenue bonds cancelled through error or otherwise and reissued; making this Act cumulative but controlling when inconsistent or in conflict with other laws; providing a severability clause; enacting other provisions relating to this subject; and declaring an emergency."

To the Committee on State Affairs.

#### Presentation of Guests

Senator Rogers of Travis, by unanimous consent, presented students of the Becker School of Austin and teacher, Mrs. Vivian T. Rochelle, to the Members of the Senate.

#### Senate Concurrent Resolution 52

Senator Kelley offered the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 52, Recommending that Congress accelerate the program for the Pan-American Highway System.

Whereas, During the last fifteen years the United States has been committed to aid in the construction of the Pan-American Highway and has invested approximately fifty-four millions of dollars in this undertaking; and

Whereas, Almost 3,000 miles of the Pan-American Highway, including

about 2,100 miles of paved roadway and about 900 miles of all-weather roadway, have been completed; and

Whereas, Less than 200 miles need to be constructed to complete the Pan-American Highway from Canada to the Panama Canal; and

Whereas, This highway, when completed, will be of great strategic and military value by providing a means of transporting foodstuffs and supplies to areas from the Canal Zone northward now dependent on sea transport, and by strengthening an important physical link between these countries in our common defense of the Western Hemisphere against Communistic aggression from without and subversion from within; and

Whereas, Completion of the highway will open up huge sections of countries which have hitherto been inaccessible, stimulate their economies, and inevitably bring a great demand for machinery, equipment and products produced by the United States, and thereby increase the export trade of this country while materially contributing to the progress of neighbor Latin-American countries; and

Whereas, The increase in tourist traffic which would result from completion of the highway would not only improve cultural relations with countries to the south and aid in the development of their economies through earnings of foreign exchange, but would also be a significant factor in promoting tourist trade in Texas, since tourists from other states would travel through Texas to the international gateways at Laredo, El Paso, McAllen, Brownsville, and other ports of entry in Texas; and

Whereas, The Good Neighbor Commission of Texas is now engaged with five Mexican states adjacent to Texas in a program designed to promote and encourage improvements of the Pan-American Highway System and the provision of bilingual road signs in Mexico; and

Whereas, Taxpayers of the United States and the other participating countries will not begin to receive full benefits from their tremendous investments in this project until it is completed; and

Whereas, Congress has authorized expenditure of \$56 million for completion of impassable portions over difficult terrain in Guatemala and Costa Rica; and

Whereas, Despite the authorization recent appropriations to the United States Bureau of Public Roads for use in completing the Pan-American Highway through aid to participating countries have averaged less than \$2 million per year; and

Whereas, President Eisenhower has estimated the amount needed to complete the project in a three-year period is \$112,470,000 of which \$74,980,000 would be the share of the United States, leaving \$37,490,000 as the combined share of the several co-operating countries on the usual 2:1 matching basis; and

Whereas, At the present rate of appropriations, it will require from 15 to 25 years to complete the Pan-American Highway, although it could be finished in from three to five years under an accelerated construction program; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the Fifty-fourth Legislature, the House of Representatives concurring, most urgently recommends that the Congress accelerate the program for the Pan-American Highway System in order to speed its completion and hasten its benefits for all participating countries; and that copies of this resolution be sent to President Eisenhower and to all Members of the Texas delegation in the United States Congress.

KELLEY  
KAZEN  
LATIMER

The resolution was read.

On motion of Senator Kelley, and by unanimous consent, the resolution was considered immediately and was adopted.

#### Presentation of Guests

Senator Rogers of Travis, by unanimous consent, presented students of the Jarrell School of Williamson County with teacher, Mrs. Juby, to the Members of the Senate.

#### Presentation of Judge Charles Vernon Terrell, Former State Senator and Railroad Commissioner

The Presiding Officer announced, at 11:00 o'clock a. m. that pursuant to the provisions of Senate Resolution No. 298 previously adopted by the Senate, the following were appointed as a committee to escort Judge Terrell to the President's rostrum: Senators Wagonseller, Ratliff, Roberts and Rogers of Travis.

(Senator Aikin in the Chair.)

The Presiding Officer recognized Senator Wagonseller and he introduced the following resolution:

#### Senate Resolution 300

Whereas, Judge Charles Vernon Terrell, President Emeritus of the Texas Heritage Foundation, formerly of Wise County, Texas, but now of Austin, Texas, served as a distinguished public official for fifty years; fifty-eight years ago entered this Senate and served in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second Legislatures; was elected President Pro Tempore of the Thirty-second Legislature; is the oldest living ex-Senator and ex-State official; served four years as State Treasurer; fifteen years as Railroad Commissioner, and was twice Chairman of the Railroad Commission. In the Twenty-fifth Session of the Legislature he introduced and passed the law creating the North Texas Normal at Denton, Texas, now the North Texas State College, which Act was the immediate forerunner of legislation he signed, during the administration of Governor Sayers, establishing the Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos. While Treasurer, he was the first one to divide a job and give poor students half-time jobs so they could go to college. The plan has spread to every State and to Washington, D. C., and has been the means of educating untold thousands who could not have received an education but for that plan. As Railroad Commissioner, he helped write the law controlling motor transportation and established in Texas the finest and safest system of transportation for trucks and busses of any State in this Union. Judge Terrell helped write and signed the first order ever written by mortal man prorating oil, and may be justly called the "Father of Proration." It has saved from waste untold millions of barrels of oil, and has raised the price from ten cents a barrel to \$3.50. It has placed into the permanent fund of A. & M. College of Texas, nearly Fifty Million Dollars from oil and gas; the University of Texas nearly One Hundred Million Dollars; and the Public School Fund over One Hundred Million Dollars. Judge Terrell was the

first President of the Texas Heritage Foundation, and is now its beloved President Emeritus; he has served fifty years without one blot on his faithful and distinguished record; without one broken promise; he is an honor to his family; a benediction to all honest men; and an inspiration to the youth of all coming generations; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate of Texas, That on the second day of May, 1955, Judge C. V. Terrell's ninety-fourth birthday, that the Senate of the State of Texas pause in its deliberation to present and give recognition to this great Texas Statesman, and true patriot.

WAGONSELLER  
CORBIN  
ROBERTS  
ROGERS of Travis  
AIKIN  
KELLEY  
RATLIFF

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Wagonseller presented the family of Judge Terrell present for the occasion, Mr. A. Garland Adair, long-time personal friend of Judge Terrell, and the present members of The Railroad Commission of Texas, the Honorable Ernest O. Thompson, the Honorable Olin Culberson and the Honorable Wm. J. Murray. Colonel Thompson served on The Railroad Commission with Judge Terrell.

Senator Wagonseller then addressed the Senate and presented Judge Terrell who is celebrating his ninety-fourth birthday today.

Judge Terrell then addressed the Senate.

#### Remarks of Senator Wagonseller and Judge Terrell Ordered Printed in the Journal

On motion of Senator Phillips, and by unanimous consent, Senator Wagonseller and Judge Terrell were requested to reduce their remarks to writing and the addresses were ordered printed in the Journal.

#### In Legislative Session

Senator Hardeman called the Senate to order as in Legislative Session at 11:21 o'clock a. m.

#### Senate Resolution 299

Senator Phillips offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Under present rules and customs of the Texas Legislature, many selfish interests will be able to stall, kill and water down legislation designed for the public good; and

Whereas, Many of the legislative rules were made when life was not complex and the science of introduction of legislation designed solely to confuse the issue and different needed reforms in government; and

Whereas, Today's legislative rules are not tuned to a fast moving era; and

Whereas, With hundreds of bills introduced in both Houses of the Legislature, it is humanly impossible, under present rules, for the members of the Legislature to be able to serve in all instances the people of Texas in the best public interest; and

Whereas, The public is often confused, often completely in the dark due to the multiplicity of bills introduced for the purpose of creating such confusion in the minds of the public; and

Whereas, A thorough study of Texas legislative processes is long overdue; and

Whereas, Such a study can be made without costing the people of Texas one cent; and

Whereas, This can be done by the Texas Research League, a privately financed organization; and

Whereas, Such a study was made by a Commission on the national level; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature request the Texas Research League to make a thorough study of Texas legislative processes, and make such recommendations as the results of its study might develop in order that a more orderly process of considering legislation might be found which will result in all of the people of Texas benefiting as a result of such recommendations.

The resolution was read.

Senator Phillips asked unanimous consent to consider the resolution immediately.

There was objection.

Senator Phillips then moved to sus-

pend the regular order of business and consider the resolution immediately.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

**Yeas—7**

Bracewell	Strauss
Kazen	Wagonseller
Kelley	Willis
Phillips	

**Nays—16**

Aikin	Owen
Ashley	Parkhouse
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Lane	Rogers of Travis
Lock	Secrest
McDonald	Shireman
Moffett	

**Absent**

Colson	Moore
Fly	Ratliff
Latimer	

**Absent—Excused**

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

The resolution was then referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

**Senate Resolution 301**

Senator Latimer offered the following resolution for Senator Weinert:

Whereas, We are honored today to have in the gallery 160 students of the Civics and History Class of the New Braunfels Schools, New Braunfels, Comal County, accompanied by Bill Southern and Bob Misteale; and

Whereas, These students and guests are on an educational tour of the Capitol Building and the Capital City; and

Whereas, These fine young American citizens are here to observe and learn firsthand the workings of their State Government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we officially recognize and welcome this class and commend them for their interest, and that a copy of this resolution, properly endorsed, bearing the official seal of the Senate, be mailed to them in recognition of their visit.

**WEINERT  
LATIMER**

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Latimer by unanimous consent presented the students and Mr. Southern and Mr. Misteale to the Members of the Senate.

**Message From the Governor**

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate and directed the Reading Clerk to read the following message received from Acting Governor Martin today.

Austin, Texas,  
May 2, 1955.

To the Members of the Fifty-fourth Legislature.

The initial message of the Governor to the Regular Session of the 54th Legislature set forth the major subjects requiring the attention of the membership of the House and Senate at this biennial session.

Legislation on four of these subjects is now at a critical stage. The subjects are:

Regulation of insurance stock sales; the constitutional amendment to provide a program of water conservation; the general appropriation bill, including an additional seven million dollars annually for old age assistance; and the bill to provide the necessary tax money to pay the appropriations.

The importance of completing legislative action on these measures cannot be overemphasized.

I urge both houses and every individual Member of the Senate and House to use all possible diligence and put forth every possible effort to effect the final passage of these measures before the expiration of the first 120 days of this session.

Respectfully submitted,  
**CRAWFORD C. MARTIN,**  
Acting Governor.

**Senate Resolution 302**

Senator Strauss offered the following resolution:

Whereas, We are honored today to have in the gallery the Graduating Class of El Campo High School, El Campo, Texas, accompanied by Mr. Edwin Lowe; and

Whereas These students and guests are on an educational tour of the Capitol Building and the Capital City; and

Whereas, This fine class of young American citizens is here to observe and learn firsthand the workings of their State Government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we officially recognize and welcome this class and commend them for their interest, and that a copy of this resolution, properly endorsed, bearing the official seal of the Senate, be mailed to them in recognition of their visit.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

Senator Strauss by unanimous consent presented the students and Mr. Lowe to the Members of the Senate.

#### Senate Bill 374 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Kelley and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

S. B. No. 374, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that no oil, gas and mineral lease, or oil and gas lease, now in existence and which was granted by any political subdivision of the State, city, town, village, county, school district, water control and improvement district, water control and preservation district, water control district, water improvement district, water power control district, water supply district or irrigation district, for a valid consideration, shall be cancelled or held voidable or invalid because the lessor in such lease or leases has heretofore failed to give notice by newspaper publication of the intent to grant such lease or leases and that competitive bids for such lease or leases would be received, provided that any such lease or leases are not void or voidable for any other cause, and providing that nothing herein contained shall be construed as affecting pending litigation; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read the second time.

Senator Kelley offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill 374, Section 1, by striking out the first seven lines of said section and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. Any oil, gas and mineral lease, or oil and gas lease, heretofore granted for a valid considera-

tion by any city, including home rule cities, town, village, county or any of the following political subdivisions of this State: water control and improvement districts, water control and preservation districts, water control districts, water improvement districts, water power control districts, water supply districts, or irrigation districts, shall not be cancelled or held . . ."

The amendment was adopted.

Senator Shireman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate Bill 374 by deleting Section 2 of the bill and substituting therefor the following:

Section 2. The importance of and immediate need of this legislation create an emergency and imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and it is hereby suspended, and that this Act become effective immediately from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

The amendment was adopted.

On motion of Senator Kelley and by unanimous consent the caption was amended to conform to the body of the bill as amended.

The bill, as amended, was passed to engrossment.

#### Senate Bill 374 on Third Reading

Senator Kelley moved that Senate Rule 32 and the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate Bill No. 374 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—25

Aikin	Owen
Ashley	Parkhouse
Bracewell	Phillips
Fly	Ratliff
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Latimer	Shireman
Lock	Strauss
McDonald	Wagonseller
Moore	Willis

## Nays—1

Lane

## Absent

Colson                      Moffett

## Absent—Excused

Corbin                      Weinert  
Martin

The Presiding Officer then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

## Yeas—24

Ashley	Parkhouse
Bracewell	Phillips
Fly	Ratliff
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Latimer	Shireman
Lock	Strauss
McDonald	Wagonseller
Moffett	Willis
Owen	

## Nays—2

Aikin                      Lane

## Absent

Colson                      Moore

## Absent—Excused

Corbin                      Weinert  
Martin

## Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Rogers of Childress, by unanimous consent, submitted the following report:

Austin, Texas,  
May 2, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred S. B. No. 423, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed.

ROGERS of Childress, Chairman.

Senator Shireman, by unanimous consent, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,  
May 2, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred S. B. No. 427, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments, and be not printed.

SHIREMAN, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,  
May 2, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Game and Fish, to whom was referred H. B. No. 663, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments, and be not printed.

SHIREMAN, Chairman.

## Senate Bill 423 Ordered Not Printed

On motion of Senator Rogers of Childress, and by unanimous consent, S. B. No. 423 was ordered not printed.

## Message from the House

Hall of the House of Representatives,  
Austin, Texas,  
May 2, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

S. B. No. 385, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation district under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution comprising the territory of San Augustine County, Texas, to be known as 'San Augustine Water Authority,' for the purpose of providing a source of water supply for agricultural, municipal, domestic and industrial use and processing, transporting and distributing the same; providing for a Board of Directors for the government of said Authority; authorizing the Authority to do all things necessary to the exercise of the powers herein granted; authorizing the issuance of bonds and providing for payment and security thereof; making applicable to the District Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as

amended, relating to eminent domain and certain general laws relating to water control and improvement districts prescribing the other powers of the Authority; providing a saving clause; enacting other provisions relating to this subject; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendments.)

S. B. No. 387, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of juvenile probation officers in counties having a population of more than five hundred thousand (500,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding, or any future Federal Census; providing for a salary for such juvenile probation officers and the manner of payment thereof; providing for the appointment of assistant juvenile probation officers and other employees; providing for salaries for such assistant juvenile probation officers and other employees and the manner of payment thereof; providing for necessary transportation or car allowance for the use of such juvenile probation officer and his assistants; providing for payments in wife and child desertion cases to be paid to the juvenile probation officer or District Clerk; providing for the making of bond by juvenile probation officers; providing for audit by the County Auditor of the books and records of the juvenile probation officer; providing a savings clause; providing for repeal of conflicting laws only; making January 1, 1956, the operative date of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 390, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and empower navigation districts heretofore or hereafter organized to provide for and administer a retirement, disability and death compensation fund for officers and employees of the district; providing for the investment, reinvestment and change of investment of such funds; authorizing the Commissioners of said district to adopt a plan or plans for effectuating the purpose of this Act, to provide rules and regulations governing all such compensation and from time to time to change any such plan, rule or regulation; and providing that the recipients of benefits of such fund shall not be eligible for any other pension retirement fund or direct aid from the State of Texas, unless the fund created hereunder is released to the

State as a condition precedent to receiving such other aid; providing for such navigation districts to include hospitalization and medical benefits to their officers and employees as part of the compensation currently paid to such officers and employees; making the Act cumulative of other laws on the subject; providing that unconstitutionality of any part of the Act shall not invalidate the remainder; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 391, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation District under the provisions of Section 59, Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas, to be known as 'Colorado County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1'; prescribing its powers and duties and providing for a governing body thereof; making the District subject to the statutes relating to water control and improvement districts except as otherwise provided; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 392, A bill to be entitled "An Act making permanent the Special 138th District Court and the Special 139th District Court created by Chapter 57, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, such permanent courts to be known as the 138th District Court and the 139th District Court; repealing Section 3 of Article III and amending Articles I and II and portions of Article III of Chapter 57, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, to accomplish the above change; providing for the selection and tenure of the judges of these permanent district courts and for payment of their salaries and expenses; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 393, A bill to be entitled "An Act limiting the provisions of this Act to the County of Lavaca, making it unlawful, except under the provisions of this Act, for any person to hunt, take, kill or possess, or to attempt to hunt, take, kill or possess, any deer or wild turkey in said county, by any means or method; prescribing the legislative policy with respect to these wildlife resources in said county, conferring upon the Game and Fish Commission authority to regulate, by proclamation, order, rule



or regulation, the taking of deer or wild turkey from said county; requiring the Game and Fish Commission to make investigations with respect to the depletion and waste of these wildlife resources of said county; requiring the Commission to provide an open season or period of time when it shall be lawful to take a portion of such resources; defining depletion and waste; providing for the taking of doe deer; providing that public hearings be held; providing for the adoption of proclamations, orders, rules and regulations of the Game and Fish Commission; providing for the effective period of regulations; providing for publication of the regulations; providing that the authority of the Commission is not limited; providing venue for suits to test the validity of this Act and of the rules and regulations of the Commission; providing a penalty for false swearing; providing a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this Act as well as any order, rule or regulation of the Commission; providing for the forfeiture of licenses; making it unlawful to purchase a new license and providing a penalty therefor; providing lawful procedure for killing deer and wild turkey destroying crops and gardens; repealing certain laws; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 395, A bill to be entitled "An Act establishing as permanent District Courts, the Special 37th District Court and the Special Criminal District Court of Bexar County, heretofore established as temporary District Courts under the provisions of Senate Bill 21, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 51; prescribing the terms and jurisdiction of said Courts; adjusting the terms, jurisdiction and business of the District Courts of Bexar County; providing that the Judges of the Special 37th District Court and the Special Criminal District Court of Bexar County shall continue to hold the office of Judge of said Courts for the terms for which they were elected and until their successors qualify; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the District Courts of Bexar County; providing for methods of election of juries; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the District Courts of Bexar County;

amending Article 52-161 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of Texas, 1925, as amended, as the same relates to and provides for the Criminal District Courts of Bexar County; amending Article 199 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, as the same relates to and provides for the District Courts of Bexar County, Texas; appropriating the unexpended balances of moneys appropriated by the provisions of Section 6 of Article III of Senate Bill 21, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 51, for the payment of the salaries of the Judges of the District Courts made permanent by this Act and Judges of the District Courts created by the provisions of Chapter 51, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 400, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Orange County Water Control and Improvement District No. 3; validating the creation order, confirming election, bond election, and proceedings in connection therewith; validating the bonds authorized at said election, and providing that said bonds when approved by the Attorney General, registered by the Comptroller, and delivered to the purchaser or purchasers shall be incontestable; validating governmental proceedings and acts; validating the area and boundary lines of said District; finding and determining that the lands and other property within said District are, and will be, benefited by the District and its improvements and facilities to be constructed and acquired; providing that the ad valorem basis or plan of taxation shall be used by the District and that it shall not be necessary to hold a hearing on the adoption of a plan of taxation; declaring that the District is essential to the accomplishment of the purposes of Section 59, Article 16, Constitution of Texas, and declaring the District to be a governmental agency, body politic, and municipal corporation; providing that this Act shall have no application to pending litigation in which the validity of creation of said District or of said bonds is involved if such litigation is ultimately determined against the legality thereof; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting a local law for the maintenance of the public roads and highways in Ellis County by indebtedness for the purpose of acquiring right-of-way for designated State highways or Federal highways when the acquisition of such right-of-way is approved by the State Highway Commission; requiring the levy of a tax to pay such certificates; requiring such certificates to be approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and prescribing the effect thereof; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 343, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 17 of Chapter 105, Acts of the 47th Legislature, 1941, relating to accumulation, investment, and disbursement of reserve retirement funds of pension systems for policemen, firemen and fire alarm operators in cities of 350,000 to 430,000 inhabitants; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 347, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the method of selection of directors of certain water control and improvement districts, and validating bonds of such districts, and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 353, A bill to be entitled "An Act restoring to the County Court of Hill County original jurisdiction in matters of eminent domain; transferring from the District Court in Hill County to the County Court of Hill County, original jurisdiction in matters of eminent domain; making other provisions relating to such transfer; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 358, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending the Texas Banking Code of 1943 so as to authorize state banks or trust companies to sell mortgages to the Federal National Mortgage Association, or any successor thereof; providing that such institutions may make capital contributions, and receive stock therefor, in connection with such sales, as may be required by law; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 361, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Jefferson County

Water Control and Improvement District No. 10, a Conservation and Reclamation District as authorized by Section 59 of Article XVI of the Texas Constitution; constituting such district a political subdivision of the State and a body politic and corporate; prescribing the District's powers and providing that same shall include all powers and authority granted to water control and improvement districts under the general laws of the State pertaining thereto except as otherwise provided for in this Act; providing that confirmation election, hearing on exclusion of lands or hearing on the adoption of a plan of taxation shall not be necessary; providing that the ad valorem plan of taxation shall be used by the District; defining the boundaries of the District; providing for a Board of Directors to control and exercise the District's powers, their appointment, qualification, election tenure and organization; providing for the levy, assessment, and equalization of ad valorem taxes for the operation and maintenance of the District, the purchase and construction of its facilities and the payment of its obligations when authority therefor is given at an election held for that purpose; providing that the District may make and fix charges for the services of its Water and Sanitary Sewer Systems and facilities; authorizing the District to acquire and operate any and all property necessary to the exercise of its powers; authorizing the borrowing of money and the issuance of negotiable interest bearing bonds secured by net revenues, ad valorem taxes or by both revenues and taxes to accomplish the purposes for which the District is created; prescribing the methods to be employed in the authorization, issuance and sale of bonds; providing for the refunding of the District's obligations, providing for the submission of bond issues to the Attorney General for approval and the registration thereof by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and for the incontestability of bonds so approved and registered; authorizing the disbursement and investment of bond proceeds; exempting the District's bonds from taxation; declaring the District essential; providing that nothing in this Act shall be construed to violate any provision of the Federal or State Constitutions; providing that if any provision of this Act shall be held invalid the validity of the other provisions

shall not be affected; providing for a liberal construction of this Act; enacting provisions relating to the subject and purpose of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 367, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that the Texas Prison Board may exchange state-owned land comprising the outer edge of Ramsey State Prison Farm for privately owned lands within Ramsey Prison Farm, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Paragraph (4) of Section 1, Article 3.50, subchapter E of Senate Bill No. 236, Chapter 491, Acts of the Fifty-second Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, pertaining to group life insurance, to allow the insurance of the face amount of a loan or loan commitment made to a debtor with seasonal income for general agricultural or horticultural purposes; providing for the payment of such insurance; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 371, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an additional District Court in Tarrant County, Texas, to be known as the District Court for the 153rd Judicial District; providing the terms and jurisdiction for said Court; providing for the appointment of a District Judge for said Court; prescribing his powers, duties, terms of office and compensation; providing for the appointment for the official court reporter for said Court; prescribing his qualifications, duties and compensation; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the Court; providing all process, writs, recognizances and bonds heretofore issued, made, executed or returnable to existing terms of District Courts in Tarrant County are valid and returnable to the first term of the District Court for the 153rd Judicial District Court after this Act takes effect; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the District Courts of Tarrant County; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 381, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and provide a method for the Commissioner of the General Land Office to lease to the Houston Yacht Club certain submerged lands in Galveston Bay ad-

jacent to certain tract of land conveyed to San Jacinto Bay Corporation in deed recorded in Vol. 697, page 460, Deed Records of Harris County, and prescribing the terms and conditions of said lease; prohibiting alienation except for the purpose of encumbering same to the Federal Government or other agency or agencies thereof; reserving the mineral to the State of Texas, providing said lease shall be issued subject to the State Game Laws and public rights of fishing and navigation; providing for forfeiture and reinstatement in certain cases; providing that nothing in this Act shall lessen the rights of adjoining property owner or owners as such rights exist under the law prior to the passage of this Act; providing for taxation of such property; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 382, A bill to be entitled "An Act making permanent the additional District Court in and for Gonzales, Colorado, Lavaca, and Guadalupe Counties existing by virtue of Acts 1954, Fifty-third Legislature, First Called Session, Chapter 54, p. 118; providing that such court shall be known as the Second 25th Judicial District Court; providing for a clerk; fixing the terms of said court; providing for the transfer of cases; providing for a District Judge; providing for appointment of a court reporter; providing that such court shall not be subject to the jury wheel in the selection of jurors; repealing laws in conflict; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 384, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Conservation District under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution, comprising certain territory lying within the Counties of Guadalupe, Hays and Comal, Texas, for the purpose of flood control, and preservation of land and soil and the fertility thereof, and to construct, acquire, improve, carry out, maintain, repair and operate dams, structures, projects and works of improvement for flood prevention (including structural and land treatment measures) and for agricultural phases of the conservation, development, utilization and disposal of water within the district, and to purchase or acquire other facilities and equipment necessary or useful in connection therewith and for other purposes for soil conservation

and preservation and related matters; and to purchase or acquire land, easements or rights-of-way, and to cooperate with County, State and Federal governments in carrying out the purposes of this Act; providing for a Board of Directors for the government of said district; authorizing the district to do all things necessary to prevent floods and conserve and preserve the land and soil and the fertility thereof within the District; making applicable to the District, Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, relating to eminent domain; authorizing said District to have all the powers, rights, privileges and duties of a local organization within the purview and meaning of Public Law 566, 83rd Congress, Chapter 656, 2nd Session, H. R. 7688; authorizing the District to issue negotiable bonds and to levy taxes for payment of interest and principal thereof and providing for an election to authorize said bonds; authorizing the District to issue refunding bonds; providing for the approval by the Attorney General and registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of said bonds and refunding bonds; providing bonds and refunding bonds to be incontestable; providing for depositories; providing for bonds and refunding bonds to be legal investments; providing bonds and refunding bonds to be free from State taxation; authorizing the District to acquire water and other permits; providing for levying and collecting, and other power, rights and duties pertaining to taxes and taxation; prescribing other powers of the District; finding a benefit; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 297, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing counties on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico having islands within their boundaries susceptible of development for recreational purposes to issue bonds for the construction of roads on such islands, secured by a pledge of tolls to be charged for the use thereof and further by the levy of a tax, in the manner authorized by Chapter 304, Acts 1947, 50th Legislature, as amended by Chapter 122, Acts 1949, 51st Legislature; making Section 7 of said Chapter 304, as amended, inapplicable to such counties which previously has issued its bonds for any of the purposes authorized by said Chapter 304, as amended, until any bonds issued

under this Act shall have been paid; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 304, A bill to be entitled "An Act applying to certain navigation districts; authorizing the deposit of districts revenues (as therein defined) in banking corporations; containing provisions relating to said districts and revenues and deposits; validating said districts and bonds thereof heretofore issued by and acts and proceedings of governing boards and officers of said districts; providing that this Act shall not validate districts and bonds if now involved in litigation and providing conditions relating thereto; repealing general laws and parts thereof in conflict herewith; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 305, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of Directors of the Texas A. and M. College to levy a regular student fee for the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving the Texas A. and M. College Memorial Student Center at the A. and M. College of Texas; fixing the amount of the fee; providing the purpose for which said fee shall be used; placing the control of the fees in the hands of the Board of Directors of the Texas A. and M. College; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 314, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 123, Acts of the 53rd Legislature (being the law creating Dallas County Water Supply and Control District) by changing the method of selecting the directors for said district; changing the terms and qualifications of such directors; and to authorize the district to convey its properties to any other district established under Article 16, Section 59 of the Constitution, and thereupon be dissolved; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 318, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an additional District Court in Jefferson County, Texas, to be known as the District Court for the 136th Judicial District; providing the terms and jurisdiction for said court; providing for the appointment of a judge for said court; prescribing powers, duties, term of office and compensation; making necessary appropriations; providing for the employment of official court reporters of said court; prescribing his

qualifications, duties and compensations; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the court; providing all processes, writs, recognizances and bonds heretofore issued, made, executed or returnable to existing terms of District Courts in Jefferson County are valid and returnable to the first term of the District Court for the 136th Judicial District after this Act takes effect; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the District Courts of Jefferson County; providing the provisions of Article 52-160a of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas shall be applicable to the District Courts of Jefferson County; providing severability clause; providing a repealing and cumulative clause; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Senate Bill No. 354, Chapter 325, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, being Article 5382d of Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, by adding a new section authorizing the appropriate Boards for Lease of lands owned by any department, board or agency of the State to grant easements for irrigation canals, laterals, flumes and ditches, and telephone, telegraph, electric power and pipe lines; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 335, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 5366, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925; providing that development and operations upon areas included in Article 5353, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, shall be done in such manner as to prevent pollution of water, destruction of fish, oysters and other marine life and obstruction of navigation, providing that the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall promulgate and enforce the necessary rules and regulations; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 336, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection 4 of Article 6602, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, so as to authorize acknowledgments by spouse of members of the Armed Forces of the United States and Auxiliaries thereto before Commissioned Officers in the Armed Forces of the United States or in the Auxiliaries; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 339, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Senate Bill 126,

passed at the 53rd Regular Session of the Legislature, 1953, providing that any contract between the United States Government, or any agency thereof, with the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority shall vest the Authority with absolute control over the release and use of waters stored for the benefit of the Authority subject to the payment of cost, if any, incurred by the United States, in the operation and maintenance of the project works: repealing all conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 342, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article II of Chapter 51, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, by adding a new section extending the duration of the Special 37th District Court and the Special Criminal District Court of Bexar County, making an appropriation for payment of salaries of the Judges of these courts for the next biennium ending August 31, 1958; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 243, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection 160a of Article 52, Code of Criminal Procedure of Texas, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, as amended, providing that the Criminal District Court of Jefferson County, Texas, may sit at Port Arthur, Texas, for the trying, hearing, and determination of certain non-jury civil cases and matters; permitting the District Clerk of Jefferson County to transfer records and minutes of his office to Port Arthur and vice versa; providing for the Sheriff and the District Clerk of Jefferson County, Texas, to serve or furnish deputies at Port Arthur, Texas, when said Court is held there, and permitting the official reporter of any court sitting at Port Arthur, Texas, to serve in said Port Arthur; authorizing the Commissioners' Court to provide suitable quarters for said Court while sitting in Port Arthur, Texas, in the Sub-Courthouse of the said Port Arthur, Texas; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and expressing the intent of the Legislature in passing said Act; declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 251, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 331 of the Acts of the 52nd Legislature, 1951, being Article 2919d of Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, by adding a new Section 5a to approve admission of West Virginia and Delaware to membership in the Southern Regional Ed-

ucation Compact on certain conditions; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 253, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize Commissioners Courts to acquire land for and to purchase, construct, repair, equip and improve buildings and other permanent improvements to be used for county library purposes, providing for the location and payment therefor; authorizing the issuance of negotiable bonds for such purpose and the levy and collection of taxes in payment thereof; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 258, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of Directors of the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College System to execute leases and grant easements for rights-of-way for electric and pipe lines, irrigation canals and laterals, electric substations, pumping stations, loading racks, tank farms and other structures and for highways and roadways on or across any land under the control of the Board of Directors of the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College System; stipulating that the form of the easements shall be approved by the Attorney General; providing for the payment of a fee in certain instances; stipulating the period of time for which an easement may be granted; providing for the accounting for and use of monies, if any, received for the payment of fees; prescribing the penalty for failure to obtain a proper easement; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 259, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the transfer of title to certain lands to the State Highway Commission containing 20.52 acres of land, more or less, and being a part and parcel of the present campus of the North Texas State College at Denton, Texas, necessary for the relocation and improvement of U. S. Highway No. 77 from the West line of Avenue "D" to the East line of Avenue "I" in, and adjacent to, the City of Denton, Texas; repealing Chapter 182, local and special laws of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949 (North Texas State College transfer of lands to the Texas State Highway Commission); and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 260, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to compensation of commissioners of drainage districts; amending Article 8120, Revised Civil

Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, so as to change the population figure in the provision relating to additional compensation and automobile expense from 200,000 to 30,000; providing that this Act shall be cumulative of other laws; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 261, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the minimum compensation of firemen and policemen in cities of 400,000 to 420,000 inhabitants; providing a penalty for violation of the provisions of this Act; repealing conflicting laws; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 268, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 465, Acts of the Fifty-first Legislature (being the law creating Eastland County Water Supply District), as amended by Chapter 384, Acts of the Fifty-third Legislature, by making certain changes with reference to the election of directors; by expressly authorizing the district to sell any real or personal property not needed by it; and by correcting a typographical error in Section 6 of said law; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act to confirm and validate all deeds of acquittance issued on lands lying across or partly across watercourses or navigable streams or the beds or abandoned beds thereof, or parts thereof, and to relinquish, quitclaim and grant to grantees and their assignees all of such lands, and minerals therein contained, across watercourses or navigable streams and also the beds or abandoned beds thereof, and minerals therein contained, where such deeds of acquittance have been issued and outstanding for a period of ten years from the date thereof and have not been canceled or forfeited, without impairing the rights of the general public, the State, riparian owners or appropriation owners in the waters of such streams, and providing that with respect to lands sold by the State of Texas expressly reserving title to minerals in the State, such reservation shall not be affected by this Act and that the grantees and their assignees shall have the same rights, title and interest in the minerals in the beds or abandoned beds of such watercourses or navigable streams that they have in the uplands covered by the same deeds of acquittance; and providing that all of the provisions of this Act shall apply equally to all Spanish

and Mexican land grants and titles issued by the Spanish and Mexican Governments prior to the Texas Revolution of 1836, which have been subsequently recognized by the Republic of Texas or by the State of Texas as valid; providing that the rights of parties involved in pending litigation shall not be affected; declaring all laws in conflict herewith are repealed; providing that this Act shall be cumulative of existing laws on the subject; providing that if any portion of this Act is held unconstitutional, the balance thereof shall be upheld; providing for effective date of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 20 of Article 8306, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, which defines occupational diseases under the Workmen's Compensation Law, so as to add the disease of psittacosis; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 273, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing the Special Ninth Judicial District Court of Texas, composed of Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity Counties; providing for the creation of a permanent Judicial District Court to be known as the Second Ninth Judicial District Court of Texas, composed of Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity Counties; providing for the time and terms of holding Court in Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity Counties; providing for the appointment of a District Judge of the Second Ninth Judicial District Court by the Governor on the effective date of this Act who shall hold office until the next general election or until his successor shall be duly elected and qualified; and providing for his compensation and making necessary appropriations; providing for the appointment of an official Court reporter of the newly created district and providing for his compensation; providing that the District Attorney of the Ninth Judicial District shall act as District Attorney of the Second Ninth Judicial District in the Counties of Montgomery, Polk and San Jacinto; providing that the District Attorney of the Twelfth Judicial District shall also act as District Attorney for the Second Ninth Judicial District in Trinity County; providing that the District Clerks of Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity Counties shall also act as District Clerks for the Second Ninth Judicial

District in their respective counties; providing that the District Clerks in each of the counties covered by this Act shall transfer all criminal and civil cases from the Special Ninth Judicial District Court to the Second Ninth Judicial District Court on the effective date of this Act; providing that all processes and writs issued or served and recognizances, bonds and undertakings before this Act takes effect and made returnable to the Special Ninth Judicial District Court in the Counties of Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity shall be considered as returnable to the next succeeding term of Court in each of the counties in the Second Ninth Judicial District and legalizing same; and providing that all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under existing laws in Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto and Trinity Counties shall be considered as lawfully drawn and selected for the next ensuing term of the Second Ninth Judicial District Court in their respective counties; providing for a severability clause; providing for a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 274, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter III of the Texas Banking Code of 1943, Chapter 97, Acts of the 48th Legislature, Regular Session, 1943, said Chapter III codified as Articles 342-301 to 342-313, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, by adding a new Article to provide a method whereby a national bank may convert into a state bank, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 293, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing certain cities to issue refunding bonds due serially and bearing interest as provided in this act for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds which do not mature in annual installments; providing that, in lieu of exchanging such refunding bonds, they may be sold and the proceeds deposited in the bank where the outstanding bonds are payable; providing that when such serial refunding bonds are approved by the Attorney General of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts they shall be incontestable and shall constitute valid and binding obligations of such city; providing that no city charter provision relating to the terms, issuance, sale and delivery of bonds shall be applicable to bonds issued under this law; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."



S. B. No. 294, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the form of the ballot and the manner of voting at certain stock law elections; amending Articles 6935 and 6937 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 179, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of Senate Bill No. 442, Chapter 337, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, so as to provide that the Tax Assessor-Collector of each rural high school district in counties having a population of three hundred fifty thousand (350,000) or more inhabitants according to the last preceding federal census, and each county line rural high school district which is subject to the jurisdiction of a county, having a population of three hundred fifty thousand (350,000) or more inhabitants according to the last preceding federal census, shall give a bond, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in this State, in such amount as the Board of Trustees of any such rural high school district determines will be sufficient to adequately protect the funds of such district; providing for the approval of such bond; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 215, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the use of nets, seines, snag lines, traps and other devices in the fresh waters of Rockwall County, Texas; providing for prima facie evidence; prescribing the penalty for violation; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 224, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending an Act providing for the creation of county-wide hospital districts in counties having a population of 190,000 or more, and Galveston County; providing for an election in the county in question to create such district and to assume hospital indebtedness; providing for the levy of taxes by the Commissioners' Court for hospital purposes; providing for the issuance of bonds by the Commissioners' Court upon authorization by the property taxpaying voters, for the purpose of the creation and expansion of a hospital system, such bonds to be the obligation of the hospital district; providing for the approval of such bonds; providing for an election of the question of bonds;

providing for the issuance of refunding bonds without an election; withdrawing authority for the sale of bonds by a city or county for hospital as to bonds previously authorized but not sold; providing for the transfer of certain property and funds from a county or city to a hospital district; providing for the assumption of certain contractual obligations by the hospital district; providing for the appointment of a Board of Hospital Managers and a General Superintendent; specifying the powers and duties of such board and superintendent; providing for the appointment of officers and employees; providing for the proceedings and records of the board; prescribing the procedure for the making of purchases and contracts; providing for the payment of claims; and prescribing the procedure therefor; providing for the discharge of the duties of the General Superintendent in the event he cannot discharge them; providing for a budget of the hospital district; conferring the power of eminent domain upon such districts; providing that the county auditor shall act as auditor of the district; and prescribing his duties; providing that the county treasurer shall act as treasurer of the district; and prescribing his duties; providing for the bond of the County Treasurer in connection with the hospital district; providing that the County Attorney, District Attorney or Criminal District Attorney shall represent the hospital district; and authorizing additional counsel; providing for an independent audit; providing that no county constituting a hospital district and no city therein shall subsequently levy taxes for hospital purposes; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 231, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending House Bill No. 406, Acts of the Fifty-second Legislature, 1951, Chapter 181 (Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes, Article 7336f), to provide that the fee to be paid for compiling, recompiling or supplementing the delinquent tax record shall not exceed Ten Cents (10c) per item or written line; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; making the Act cumulative of Chapter 10, Title 122, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925; providing a saving clause, and declaring an emergency."



S. B. No. 236, A bill to be entitled "An Act making the 151st and the 152nd District Courts created by the provisions of Senate Bill 50, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 56, composed of Harris County, permanent district courts; describing the jurisdiction and terms of said Courts; providing for the appointment, election and compensation of the judges of said Courts; amending Senate Bill 50, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 56; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 242, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsections 58, 60, of Article 199, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Chapter 84, Acts 1929, 41st Legislature, Second Called Session, providing that the 58th Judicial District Court and the 60th Judicial Court of Jefferson County, Texas, may sit at Port Arthur, Texas, for the trying, hearing, and determination of non-jury civil cases and matters; permitting the District Clerk of Jefferson County to transfer records and minutes of his office to Port Arthur and vice versa; providing for the Sheriff and the District Clerk of Jefferson County, Texas, to serve or furnish deputies at Port Arthur, Texas, when said courts are held there, and permitting the official reporter of any court sitting at Port Arthur, Texas to serve in said Port Arthur; authorizing the Commissioner's Court to provide suitable quarters for said courts while sitting in Port Arthur, Texas; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and expressing the intent of the Legislature in passing said Act; declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating, as a temporary court, an additional district court for Lubbock County to be known as the District Court of the 140th Judicial District; providing for the terms and jurisdiction of the Court; providing for the appointment of a Judge of said Court; prescribing his qualifications, powers and duties; providing for his compensation and making necessary appropriations; providing that the 72nd Judicial District of Texas, the 99th Judicial District of Texas and the 140th Judicial District of Texas herein created shall have con-

current jurisdiction with each other; providing for the transfer of cases; prescribing the duties of the District Clerk of Lubbock County relating to this Court; providing for the appointment of an official shorthand reporter in the newly created District Court and providing for his compensation; providing that the District Attorney of the 72nd Judicial District Court shall act as District Attorney for the newly created District Court; providing that the Sheriff of Lubbock County shall perform the duties in connection with the Court herein created as provided by law; providing all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under existing laws in the county of Lubbock shall be considered as lawfully drawn and selected for the next ensuing term of the newly created District Court; providing that this Court shall cease to exist on the 31st day of December, 1961; providing for a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 104, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of One Thousand Eighty-six Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$1086.50) together with the pro rata interest earned thereon out of the general fund of the State of Texas, or so much as may be necessary to satisfy the judgment rendered against the State of Texas, in favor of Home Furniture Company, a corporation, in cause Number 84447 in the District Court of Travis County, Texas, 53rd Judicial District, such judgment having become a final judgment, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 118, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the formation of private corporations to provide for the mutual protection of members of voluntary non-profit poultry associations and to promote the welfare of the poultry industry; providing the amount of fee to be paid by such corporation for filing each charter, amendment or supplement; exempting such corporations from payment of franchise tax; and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 127, A bill to be entitled "An Act establishing as a permanent District Court the Special Criminal District Court of Dallas County heretofore established as a temporary District Court under the provisions of Senate Bill 21, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 51, Page 105, to be known as

the Criminal District Court No. 3 of Dallas County; describing the terms and jurisdiction of the Criminal District Court No. 3 of Dallas County; adjusting the terms, jurisdiction and business of the District Courts of Dallas County; providing that the present Judge of the Special Criminal District Court of Dallas County shall be the District Judge of the Criminal District Court No. 3 of Dallas County until the term for which he is elected expires and until his successor qualifies; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the District Courts of Dallas County; providing methods for selection of juries; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the District Courts of Dallas County; amending Article 52 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of Texas, 1925, as amended, as the same relates to and provides for the Criminal District Courts of Dallas County; amending Article 199 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, as the same relates to the 14th, 44th, 68th, 95th, 101st, 116th, and 134th District Courts of Dallas County; making necessary appropriations, providing for severability clause, repealing conflicting laws and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 172, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the control and eradication of livestock diseases; establishing a brucellosis control and eradication program; amending Article 712 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas; repealing Article 4474, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, authorizing the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to establish a coordinated livestock disease research-diagnostic laboratory-reporting program; providing for severability; repealing all conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

(With amendment.)

S. B. No. 173, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the 142nd District Court for Midland County, prescribing the jurisdiction in terms of such Court, providing for the appointment, election and compensation of the Judge of said Court, making the Special District Court of Midland County a permanent District Court to be known as the 142nd District Court, amending Senate Bill 49, Acts of the 53rd Legislature, First Called Session, 1954, Chapter 55; providing a

repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. C. R. No. 128, Suspending the Joint Rules so that either of the Houses may take up and consider H. B. No. 341 at any time.

House has appointed the following Conference Committee on H. B. No. 85: Yezak, Chapman, Reeves, Bryan, Smith of Hays.

H. B. No. 752, Authorizing and directing the Board of Regents of the University of Texas to establish in southwest Texas a cancer hospital and substation of M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute.

H. C. R. 127, Recalling H. B. No. 861 from the Governor's Office.

H. B. No. 404, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subsections A(5), A(6), A(9), B(3), B(4), D(4a) and adding paragraph (10) to Subsection B of House Bill 162, Acts 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, Chapter 306, Page 559, so as to amend the definition of a 'subdivision of and underground water reservoir,' contained in said Subsection A(5); to add an additional definition of waste to said Subsection A(6); to amend Subsection A(9) dealing with the exclusion of grazing land while water is being produced only for domestic and stock raising purposes; to authorize underground water districts to require permits for the drilling, equipping and/or completion of water wells, as set forth in said Subsection B(3); to authorize spacing of water wells and regulate production therefrom as set forth in Subsection B(4); to authorize use of certain wells as provided in said Subsection D(4a); and to add an additional paragraph to said Section B to authorize suits by landowners to enjoin and to recover damages and other relief for violation of district rules and regulations; fixing venue for such action, and providing that such remedies shall be accumulative; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2349, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, by adding a provision requiring publication of the record of the proceed-

ings of the county commissioners' court in some newspaper of general circulation in the county; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 32, A bill to be entitled "An Act restricting the 42nd, the 90th and the 91st Judicial District of Texas; providing that the county of Taylor shall constitute the 42nd Judicial District; providing that the counties of Stephens, Young and Shackelford shall constitute the 90th Judicial District; providing that the counties of Eastland and Callahan shall constitute the 91st Judicial District; providing the terms and jurisdiction of the District Courts of the 42nd, 90th and 91st Judicial Districts; providing the District Judges of the 42nd, 90th and 91st Judicial Districts shall continue in office for the terms of office elected; providing the District Attorneys of the 42nd and 90th Judicial Districts shall continue in office for the terms of office elected; creating the office of District Attorney for the 91st Judicial District; providing for the appointment of a District Attorney for the 91st Judicial District; prescribing his qualifications, duties, powers, terms of office and compensation; providing for the continuation of existing courts in said counties in session when this Act takes effect to the end of their terms; providing all process, writs, recognizances and bonds heretofore issued, made, executed or returnable to existing terms of District Courts in the affected counties, together with grand and petit juries returnable to the first term of such court after this Act takes effect; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the courts; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the District Courts in the counties affected by this Act; making necessary appropriations; providing for a severability clause; repealing all laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 226, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7094, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, as amended, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 263, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 4594 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925 to provide a lien in favor of hotels, boarding houses, rooming houses, inns, tourist courts, and

motels on guests' properties for all sums due from such guests; providing for retention of possession of such properties; providing for exemption from attachment and execution during such retention of possession; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 267, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6243-101, Section 4, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, prescribing qualifications of certain members of the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 286, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 125, Acts of the 45th Legislature, Regular Session, 1937, as amended, and codified as Vernon's Civil Statutes, Article 6243e, by amending Section 23 thereof to allow investment of surplus in the Firemen's Relief and Retirement Fund in shares or share accounts of building and loan associations or Federal Savings and Loan Associations, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 298, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 5160 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended to provide for the itemization, verification and filing of claims within ninety days from the date of the delivery of materials and the performance of work, or from the date payment is due where such labor and materials have been the subject of written contract."

H. B. No. 342, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 24 of Article 118b, Revised Civil Statutes, being the Citrus Fruit Growers Act providing for the marking of grapefruit to show its origin; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 343, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to packing and shipment of citrus fruit; amending Section 9 of Chapter 180, General Laws of the 43rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1933, so as to prohibit shipment of citrus fruit in bulk under certain circumstances and to require such fruit to be packed in closed containers."

H. B. No. 373, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the maximum compensation that may be paid the County and District Officials named in this Act in counties having a population of less than Twenty Thousand (20,000) inhabitants according to the

last preceding Federal Census where the Commissioners' Courts have determined that all county officials shall be compensated on a fee basis with the exception of the sheriffs; providing for ex-officio compensation for the officials named in this Act with the exception of the sheriffs; providing the method of fixing the compensation of these officials; providing for the salaries of sheriffs coming within the provisions of this Act and naming the fund out of which their salaries shall be paid; providing for the compensation of County Commissioners; naming the officials governed by the provisions of this Act; repealing Articles 3883 and 3891, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, in so far as their provisions are applicable to the officials named in this Act and expressly repealing all other laws applicable to the compensation of county officials governed by the provisions of this Act with the exception of the compensation of county judges who serve as members of the Juvenile Board, county judges who also serve as ex-officio county superintendents, and county tax assessor-collectors who serve as designated agents of the Motor Vehicle Division of the State Highway Department; providing that the provisions of this Act shall not repeal any valid Road and Bridge Law in any county in this State; providing that in arriving at the compensation of the various officials, that the Commissioners' Courts shall consider the financial condition of their respective counties and the duties and needs of their officials, and in no event shall the compensation of any official exceed the maximum compensation prescribed for the officials of that county by this Act, nor less than the compensation actually allowed to the holder of such office for the fiscal year 1954; providing that the County Commissioners shall not set their salaries at a figure higher than the maximum compensation paid the highest paid official within their respective counties; providing for a severability clause and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 396, A bill to be entitled "An Act reorganizing the 75th Judicial District of Texas to be composed of Liberty and Chambers Counties and prescribing the jurisdiction and fixing the terms thereof; reorganizing the 88th Judicial District of Texas to be composed of Hardin and

Tyler Counties and prescribing the jurisdiction and fixing the terms thereof; providing that the Judge of the 75th Judicial District shall continue to serve as Judge of the District Court of the 75th Judicial District in and for Liberty and Chambers Counties; providing that the judge of the 88th Judicial District shall continue to serve as Judge of the 88th Judicial District in and for Hardin and Tyler Counties; providing that the District Clerks of Liberty and Chambers Counties shall serve as Clerks of the District Court of the 75th Judicial District in Liberty and Chambers Counties, respectively; providing that the District Clerks of Hardin and Tyler Counties shall serve as Clerks of the 88th Judicial District in Hardin and Tyler Counties, respectively; providing that the District Attorney of the 75th Judicial District and the 88th Judicial District as now organized shall continue to serve as District Attorney of the 75th Judicial District in and for Liberty and Chambers Counties and providing for the appointment of a District Attorney for the 88th Judicial District in and for Hardin and Tyler Counties to be compensated as provided by law; providing that the official shorthand reporter of the 75th Judicial District shall continue to serve as the official shorthand reporter for the District Court of the 75th Judicial District in and for Liberty and Chambers Counties; providing that the official shorthand reporter of the 88th Judicial District shall continue to serve as the official shorthand reporter for the District Court of the 88th Judicial District in and for Hardin and Tyler Counties; providing that all processes and writs issued or served and recognizances, bonds and undertakings entered prior to the effective date of this Act are made returnable in the 75th Judicial District in Hardin and Tyler Counties shall be returnable to the next term of the District Court of the 88th Judicial District; providing that all process and writs issued or served and recognizances, bonds and undertakings entered prior to the effective date of this Act and made returnable in the 88th Judicial District in Liberty and Chambers Counties shall be returnable to the next term of the District Court of the 75th Judicial District; providing that all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under existing law in Liberty, Chambers, Har-

din or Tyler Counties shall be considered as lawfully drawn and selected for the next term of the District Court of the respective Counties; providing that if the District Court of the 75th Judicial District shall be in session in Hardin or Tyler Counties at the time this Act takes effect, it shall continue in session until the term thereof has expired under the provisions of existing law, but thereafter, shall conform to the provisions of this Act; providing that if the District Court of the 88th Judicial District shall be in session in Liberty or Chambers Counties at the time this Act takes effect, it shall continue in session until the term thereof has expired under the provisions of existing law, but thereafter, shall conform to the provisions of this Act; providing for transfer of cases, proceedings and matters pending; providing for severability; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 409, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing the name of 'Legion State Sanatorium' created by House Bill 68, Ch. 30, Acts of the 53rd Leg., Regular Session, 1953, to Legion Branch of the San Antonio State Tuberculosis Hospital; providing that all laws heretofore or hereafter enacted by the Legislature applicable or relating to 'Legion State Sanatorium' shall be applicable and relate to Legion Branch of the San Antonio State Tuberculosis Hospital; providing that all appropriations heretofore or hereafter made by the Legislature for the use and benefit of 'Legion State Sanatorium' shall be available for the use and benefit of Legion Branch of the San Antonio State Tuberculosis Hospital; ratifying existing contracts; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 443, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1147 of the Penal Code of Texas, 1925, providing when and under what circumstances an assault or battery becomes aggravated; providing for severance of any part of this Act which may be held invalid; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 470, A bill to be entitled "An Act levying an intangible assets tax on all contract motor carriers operating under permits issued by

the Railroad Commission of Texas; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 525, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 8, Subsection 1, of Chapter 42, Acts of 1929, as amended, commonly known as Article 827a of Vernon's Penal Code relating to highway speed limits; prescribing speed limits on open separated flow highways; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring legislative intent relative to and authorizing the sale and/or exchange of a limited number of sections of certain blocks of land in Culberson and Brewster Counties owned for the use and benefit of the Game and Fish Commission; providing for the method of sale or exchange; providing for the disposition of any monies received as a result of such sale; containing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 574, A bill to be entitled "An Act concerning the offenses of perjury and false swearing and related offenses; amending Articles 308, 310, and 316, Penal Code of Texas, 1925, so as to change the penalties therein prescribed; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, A bill to be entitled "An Act reorganizing the 38th Judicial District; prescribing its jurisdiction and conforming the jurisdiction; creating the 139th Judicial District and prescribing its jurisdiction; providing that the District Judge of the 38th Judicial District shall be the Judge of the 38th Judicial District; providing that the Governor shall appoint a District Judge of the 139th Judicial District and District Attorneys for the 38th and 139th Judicial Districts as herein constituted; providing for transfer of cases and proceedings where a county is placed in a different Judicial District; providing that all writs and processes issued, bonds, bail bonds, recognizances, complaints, informations, indictments and ancillary matters heretofore issued are authorized and valid and returnable to first term of court in respective districts; providing for terms of court, a shorthand reporter, seal for the 139th

Judicial District Court; providing an effective date; repealing laws in conflict to the extent of such conflict; containing a severance clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 610, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying, confirming, and validating the designation of subdivision No. Two of the underground water reservoir in the Ogallala formation North of the Canadian River in Texas, dated August 16, 1954, and of the creation and establishment of ground water conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River; providing for the conservation, preservation, protection and recharging and the prevention of waste of underground water within said district; prescribing the powers, functions and limitation of such district, including power to levy taxes and issue bonds; providing the Act shall not be construed to affect any district or bond proceedings or bonds issued or to be issued in which there is pending litigation upon the effective date of the Act; containing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 614, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated; amending Article 802 of the Penal Code of Texas, as amended, so as to provide for punishment by confinement in jail or by fine, or by both confinement in jail and fine; amending Chapter 173, Acts of the 47th Legislature, 1941, codified as Article 6687b in Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes and commonly called the Drivers License Law, so as to eliminate a provision for automatic suspension of license upon conviction for the misdemeanor offense of driving while intoxicated and to add a provision giving the judge of the court in which the conviction is had the authority to suspend the license, and making other provisions relative to the suspension; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 630, A bill to be entitled "An Act imposing an excise tax upon the sale of radios and television sets equal to three per cent of the retail value thereof with certain exemptions; defining terms used in Act; requiring licensed retailer to collect said tax for the State of Texas upon the sale or distribution of radios and television sets in Texas, and requiring tax to be added to selling price until

it is paid ultimately by the user thereof; requiring persons importing radios and television sets for use in Texas to pay tax thereon; providing taxes as levied shall be in lieu of any other excise tax imposed by the State or any political subdivision on radios and television sets; fixing time and manner of reporting and paying taxes collected and accrued to the State, and setting forth information to be contained in said reports; making retailers liable for audit expense upon failure and refusal to pay taxes collected over to the State of Texas; providing credit for overpayment of said taxes; declaring purpose of tax levy and prescribing felony for failure or refusal to pay taxes so collected over to the State of Texas or for fraudulently misapplying or converting to personal use any taxes so collected, and fixing venue for trial of such offenses; providing that an application for permit shall be filed and permit obtained from Comptroller to make a sale, distribution or use of radios and television sets but authorizing waiver of permit for users under certain conditions; requiring bonds to be furnished retailers to guarantee payment of taxes and setting forth the amounts and the terms and conditions of said bonds; providing that all taxes, penalties, and interest due or required to be paid shall be secured by a preferred lien upon property used in the business of a retailer and describing property subject to said lien; requiring retailers to keep records of radios and television sets handled in Texas for a period of two (2) years and describing records to be kept; giving Comptroller authority to inspect premises and property where radios and television sets are sold, stored, or transported in Texas and to audit and examine all books and records kept by retailers in connection therewith; giving Comptroller authority to revoke or refuse the issuance of permits for certain offenses and under certain conditions; giving permittee right to be heard and right to appeal any order of Comptroller to district court of Travis County, Texas; making certificates executed by Comptroller or his Chief Clerk incident to any order, regulation, bond or other instrument adopted by or filed with Comptroller in connection with this Act admissible as prima facie evidence in any civil or criminal action involving such order, regulation,

bond or other instrument; fixing statutory penalties and interest for failure to pay over taxes when due, and prescribing civil penalties for violation of the law or regulations promulgated by the Comptroller, and fixing venue for suits, injunctions and other proceedings at law in courts of Travis County, Texas, or other courts having venue; appropriating fund for expense of administering law and collecting taxes, and allocating taxes collected; prescribing misdemeanor penalties; containing a savings clause, repealing conflicting laws, and fixing date said Act is to become effective."

H. B. No. 629, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing a travel per diem allowance, partial per diem travel allowances, out-of-state travel allowance, and a transportation allowance for state officers and employees; prescribing the conditions under which they shall be paid and the manner of their payment; providing for recovery of overpayments; establishing penalties and excepting certain persons from the provisions of this Act or portions thereof; containing a non-separability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 640, A bill to be entitled "An Act legalizing the hunting of buck deer with dogs in Hardin County during the open season; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 674, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing Matagorda County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 675, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing and decreasing the territory within, and boundaries of, Matagorda County Conservation and Reclamation District No. 1; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 676, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of Chapter 186 of the Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947, as amended, and being Section 1 of Article 8280-131 of Vernon's Civil Statutes, to reduce the terms of directors; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 680, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, a Conservation and Reclamation

District to be known as 'City of McAllen Authority,' describing the territory embraced in the boundaries of said district, defining and prescribing the rights, privileges, powers and functions of said district, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 681, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 613 and 649 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended, to allow cashier's checks to accompany bids; amending Article 655 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, as amended, to dispense with the necessity of an affidavit from the seller in connection with invoices of Fifty Dollars or less; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 688, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection (a) of Section 5 of Article XVII, Chapter 184, Acts of the Regular Session of the 47th Legislature as amended by Chapter 298, Acts of the Regular Session of the 48th Legislature, by extending the existing law which authorizes one licensed distributor to make sales or resales of motor fuel products without collecting the tax imposed thereon to another licensed and bonded distributor when the products are purchased for exportation, further refining, or blending with other products, to extend said authority to one licensed distributor to make sales or resales of said motor fuel products without collecting the tax imposed thereon to another licensed and bonded distributor who purchased the product for the purpose of sale or resale to the Federal Government for the exclusive use of said Federal Government, containing savings and repealing clauses and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 691, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 3, Senate Bill No. 277, Chapter 231, Acts, Fortieth Legislature, 1927, known as Article 974a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, allowing cities within five miles of each other to enter into agreements on platting outside their own corporate limits under certain conditions; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 709, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of House Bill No. 603, Chapter 500, Acts 52nd Legislature, 1951, as amended, so as to define the term 'political subdivision'; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 736, A bill to be entitled "An Act ratifying, confirming, ap-

proving and validating certain proceedings and actions had by the governing body of certain Water Control and Improvement District or Districts and the organization of said District or Districts and all proceedings relating thereto and all bonds heretofore voted and issued or authorized by any Water Control and Improvement District or Districts; providing that the Act shall apply only to Water Control and Improvement Districts in counties having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand; providing a non-litigation clause and providing the Act will not apply to certain District or Districts; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 740, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to take, trap, hunt, kill, or attempt to kill wild deer in Washington County, for a period of five (5) years from and after October 15, 1955; providing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 742, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subsection (b) of Section 1, to add a new Subsection to Section 1 to be known as (h), and to amend Sections 3 and 7 of Chapter 500, Acts 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, as amended by Chapter 197, Acts 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, so as to define the term 'political subdivision of the State' for the purpose of providing for coverage of certain officers and employees of political subdivisions of the State under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Federal Social Security Act; providing that all of the provisions of Chapter 500, Acts 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, as amended by Chapter 197, Acts 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, as amended by this Act shall apply to officers and employees performing services in connection with the proprietary functions of a county or municipality or political subdivision, as provided in Section 51g, Article III, Constitution of Texas, which was adopted by the people of this State at the general election on November 2, 1954; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 748, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 7922, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, relating to the power of fresh water supply districts to incur indebtedness; authorizing the issuance of notes payable solely from revenue upon a majority vote of the members of the

board of supervisors without the necessity of an election; making further provisions concerning the issuance of the notes and the pledging of revenues for payment; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 755, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing general law cities to make appropriations for advertising and promoting their growth and development; requiring an election; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 765, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the manner of taking fish from the waters of the Guadalupe River in Victoria, Calhoun and Refugio Counties; prohibiting the use of certain devices and providing a penalty for violation; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 774, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of H. B. No. 884, Chapter 393, Acts, Regular Session, 53rd Legislature extending the season for deer in Wood and Upshur Counties and making it unlawful for any person or persons to hunt with a shotgun loaded with buckshot or slug or with any rifle larger than .22 calibre."

H. B. No. 777, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting certain powers to Matagorda County Water Control and Improvement District No. 2, including navigation powers and powers to construct seafood processing plants, authorizing the District to issue revenue bonds, providing for the annexation of lands to the District; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; validating all proceedings heretofore had; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 803, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Gregg County, Texas, for laying out, opening, widening, grading, draining, constructing, building and repairing the public roads of Gregg County other than designated State Highways in Gregg County; conferring upon the Commissioners' Court of said County full power, authority, and supervision of all public roads therein, other than designated State highways; prescribing the powers and duties of the members of the Commissioners' Court; authorizing the appointment of certain standing Committees from the membership of the Commissioners' Court and prescribing



the powers and duties of such committees; authorizing the appointment of a County Engineer, prescribing his duties, qualifications and salary; prescribing certain powers and duties of the County Auditor; requiring all funds received or collected for road purposes to be credited to the Road and Bridge Fund; providing that the Commissioners' Court may enter into lease agreements with municipalities, individuals and corporations to lease them idle equipment, trucks, teams, wagons, harness and tools for fair compensation and said receipts from such lease agreements to be credited to the County Road and Bridge Fund and providing the manner and means of leasing said idle equipment, machinery etc.; further the Commissioners' Court is authorized to sell unusable equipment and surplus materials, raw or processed, for the fair compensation and the receipts of said sales shall be credited to the County Road and Bridge Fund; providing that the County may use equipment for soil conservation purposes and that the recipients of said service shall pay a fair compensation therefor to be placed in the County Road and Bridge Fund; defining the terms road, highway and County as used in this Act; providing that any Court shall take judicial knowledge of the provisions of this Act; the provisions of this Act shall be cumulative of general laws on this subject when not in conflict herewith, but in the event of a conflict, the provisions of this Act shall control; providing that nothing in this Act shall impair the right of the Court to issue bonds under the provisions of the Constitution and laws of this State; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 811, A bill to be entitled "An Act redistricting and changing the boundaries of the 70th and 109th Judicial Districts of Texas; amending subdivisions 70 and 109 of Article 199, Title 8 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; prescribing the powers, duties and compensation of the judges and other officials of said courts; making other provisions relating to the function and business of said courts; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 816, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that a portion of the Sabine River from its source to its juncture with the east boundary

line of Hunt County shall hereafter be deemed a non-navigable stream insofar as hunting and fishing rights on and along said stream are concerned; providing that whatever title the State of Texas may have to the bed or waters of said stream shall not be divested hereby; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 829, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending House Bill No. 190, Acts of the 46th Legislature, Regular Session, 1939, page 246, as amended, codified as Article 567b in Vernon's Penal Code and commonly known as the Hot Check Law, by adding a new Section defining offenses relating to the making, drawing, uttering or delivering of a check, draft or order for payment of wages or salaries for personal services without sufficient funds; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 834, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the means and method for taking fish in the fresh waters of Denton County; containing penalty, repealing and emergency clauses."

H. B. No. 837, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 467, House Bill No. 77, Acts, Second Called Session, Forty-fourth Legislature, as such has been heretofore amended, being the Texas Liquor Control Act, and being the Act carried in Vernon's Penal Code as Articles 666 and 667, so as to clarify such Act and further regulate and control alcoholic beverages; and so as to issue wine and beer retail permits to regularly scheduled excursion boats which have been duly licensed by the United States Coast Guard to carry passengers upon the navigable waters of the State of Texas; providing a saving clause; repealing laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 857, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Subdivision 62 of Article 199 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, so as to provide that Hopkins County shall be within the 62nd Judicial District; changing the terms of the District Courts of Hunt, Lamar, Delta, Franklin, and Hopkins Counties; providing for the jurisdiction of such courts and the functions of the judges thereof; providing procedure for transfer of cases and proceedings; providing procedure for transferred cases and proceedings; providing for the exchange of benches and for judges to sit for each other; providing for dis-

strict clerks and sheriffs to serve the courts; validating and continuing all process issued or served before this Act takes effect; making such process returnable to the next term of the Court; validating the summoning of grand and petit juries under this Act; repealing all laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 870, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the use of seines and nets in certain waters situated in Jasper and Tyler Counties; making certain exceptions; providing a penalty for violation; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 874, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing certain rural high school districts to appoint a collector of taxes; providing for his duties, compensation, and bond; stating the effect of this Act on other laws; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 879, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Directors of Texas Technological College at Lubbock, Texas, to select and lease a tract or tracts of land upon the campus of said college to the campus of Fraternities and/or Sororities for the purpose of erecting thereon housing suitable for use by the campus Fraternities and/or Sororities; providing terms of such lease contract; and authorizing the Board of Directors of said college to select and set aside a tract or tracts suitable for housing; authorizing said Board of Directors of said college to permit the Fraternities and Sororities, ingress upon said campus and egress therefrom for the purpose of going to and from such housing areas or area, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 880, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of court interpreters in certain Judicial Districts; providing for payment of salaries to such interpreters; repealing Acts, Fifty-first Legislature, 1949, Chapter 28, and other laws in conflict; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 881, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of Chapter 483 of the Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, codified as Section 1 of Article 5248g,

Vernon's Civil Statutes of Texas, so as to include within its terms and provisions the County of Cameron, Texas; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 884, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting a local law for the maintenance of the public roads and highways in Anderson County by authorizing the county to issue certificates of indebtedness for the purpose of acquiring right-of-way for the designated State highways, including Farm-to-Market highways, of Federal highways when the acquisition of such right-of-way is approved by the State Highway Commission; requiring the levy of a tax to pay such certificates and the interest thereon; requiring such certificates to be approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and prescribing the effect thereof; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 886, A bill to be entitled "An Act removing the closed season on wild pheasants (including Mexican pheasants) in Frio and La Salle Counties but continuing in effect the general law prescribing the bag limit on the number of pheasants which may be taken, killed, or possessed; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 883, A bill to be entitled "An Act permitting the propagation and sale of minnows under certain conditions in Bosque, Coryell, Erath and Hamilton Counties; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 888, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Conservation District under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution of Texas, comprising certain territory contained within Bell County, Texas, and such district is empowered to acquire, develop or purchase water, underground or other sources of water, and to acquire, construct or purchase all works, plants, and other facilities and equipment necessary or useful for the purpose of storing, processing such water and transporting and distributing it for municipal, domestic, farm and industrial purposes, and to improve, enlarge, extend, maintain and repair its water system, and to make or enter into agreements or contracts for the acquisition or purchase of water and other matters,

and to acquire or purchase all necessary lands, easements or rights-of-way for any and all the foregoing purposes; providing for a Board of Directors for the government of said District; authorizing the District to do all things necessary to accomplish the foregoing powers and purposes; providing for annexing and excluding lands and territory; making applicable to the District Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, relating to eminent domain and certain general laws relating to Water Control and Improvement Districts; provisions relating to construction contracts; authorizing the issuance of bonds and providing for the payment and security thereof; providing for ad valorem taxes; providing for the method of assessing, levying and collecting taxes and relative matters; providing for refunding bonds and manner of payment and security therefor; prescribing other powers of the District; authorizing certain contracts; provisions making bonds eligible investment; making certain laws applicable; provisions relating to tax liability of bonds and related matters; providing a savings clause; enacting other provisions related to this subject; providing for overlapping of District over certain city; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 889, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Conservation District under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Constitution comprising certain territory lying within the Counties of Atascosa and Frio, Texas, for the purpose of flood control and preservation of land and soil and the fertility thereof; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 890, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an additional district court for Galveston County to be known as the District Court of the 137th Judicial District; providing the terms and jurisdiction of said Court; providing for the appointment of a Judge of said Court; prescribing his qualifications, powers and duties; providing for his compensation and making necessary appropriations; providing that the District Courts of the 10th, 56th and 137th Judicial Districts for Galveston County shall have concurrent jurisdiction with each other; providing for the transfer of cases; prescribing the duties of the District Clerk of

Galveston County relating to this Court; providing for the appointment of an official shorthand reporter and providing for his compensation; providing that the County Attorney of Galveston County shall perform the duties of District Attorney for the 137th Judicial District; providing that the Sheriff of Galveston County shall perform the duties in connection with the Court herein created as provided by law; providing all grand and petit juries drawn and selected under existing laws in the County of Galveston shall be considered as lawfully drawn and selected for the next ensuing term of the newly created District Court; making other provisions relative to the business and function of said Court; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 891, A bill to be entitled "An Act extending the 132nd Judicial District until the 30th day of April, 1961; amending Section 6 of Senate Bill 17, Acts of the 52nd Legislature, Regular Session, 1951, Chapter 7, Page 7; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 894, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 5 of Article 5142c, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as added by Chapter 608, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, relating to compensation of Probation Officers (Juvenile Officers) in counties of 190,000 to 224,000 inhabitants; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 895, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for County Juvenile Boards in each county comprising the 38th Judicial District, and in each county comprising the 63rd Judicial District; providing for compensation of members of the Boards; provided compensation allowed County Judges hereunder shall not be counted as fees of office; providing that this Act shall be cumulative of existing laws relating to compensation of Judges of District Courts and County Judges; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 898, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting a local law for the maintenance of public highways for Harris County, to become operative after an election shall have been held and carried in said County; authorizing the Tax Collector of Harris County to collect certain

amounts of money from owners of vehicles in the County; requiring owners of such vehicles, upon which the registration fee is required to be paid in Harris County, to pay such money to the Tax Collector; prohibiting the operation of any such vehicle on the roads, highways or streets of Harris County without the payment of such money; adopting the provisions of Article 827a of the Penal Code; adopting definitions of words and terms as given in the Act providing for registration by the State Highway Department; directing that the money collected be placed in a fund of the County to be used solely for the purpose of purchasing right-of-way in the County on designated State highways, or State and Federal highways in the County, irrespective of the location thereof within or outside of the corporate boundaries of cities, towns and villages; authorizing Commissioners Court to acquire such right-of-way by purchase, gift or condemnation whether within limits of incorporated cities, towns, villages or Home Rule cities or not; authorizing the Commissioners Court to issue and sell bonds, secured solely by pledge of all or a designated part of such fund, in the manner prescribed herein, upon condition that no ad valorem tax shall ever be levied and collected to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds; containing a provision that while any such bonds are outstanding the authority to make such collections is irrepealable; limiting the use of the proceeds of such bonds to the acquisition of such right-of-way; providing for calling said election; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act; containing a severability provision; enacting other provisions related to the subject; repealing all laws, general or special, in conflict or inconsistent with this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No 899, A bill to be entitled "An Act to abolish the office of County Attorney of Harrison County, Texas; creating the Constitutional office of Criminal District Attorney for Harrison County; providing for the election and tenure of office, and prescribing the qualifications, powers duties, compensation and expenses of said office; providing for the appointment of assistants, investigators, stenographers and providing for their compensation, prescribing their powers and duties; providing for the ap-

pointment of the Criminal District Attorney until the next general election and until his successor shall qualify; and providing that the District Attorney of the 71st Judicial District shall be elected from Harrison County at the next general election and every four years thereafter; providing for a severability clause; providing for a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 905, A bill to be entitled "An Act establishing the Bowie County Juvenile Board; prescribing its membership and powers and providing for compensation of its members; authorizing appointment of a juvenile officer; prescribing his powers and duties and providing for his compensation and expenses; repealing conflicting laws; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 909, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting peddling or use of finger alphabet cards or printed matter stating that the person is deaf, under certain circumstances; providing a penalty for violation; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 910, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to marks and brands of livestock in Brazoria County; requiring owners of livestock to record their marks and brands within six months after this Act takes effect; providing that records of marks and brands now in existence shall no longer have any force and only the records made after this Act takes effect shall be examined or considered after the expiration of six months; providing for publication of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 912, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the use of the Great Seal of Texas so as to prohibit the use thereof for advertising or any unofficial use except as is provided in this Act; providing a penalty therefor; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 916, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the taking of minnows from the waters of Karnes County for the purpose of sale; prohibiting certain persons from taking minnows from these waters; prohibiting the transportation of minnows out of the county for sale or any commercial purpose; limiting the num-

ber of minnows which may be transported out of the county and the number which may be in possession in a vehicle in the county; providing a penalty for violation of the Act; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 917, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend H. B. No. 1082, Acts of the 47th Legislature of Texas, authorizing the Commissioners Court in all counties in the State of Texas to appropriate not more than five (5) cents on the one hundred dollars assessed valuation for the purpose of advertising and promoting the growth and development of the counties; and providing for an election authorizing such appropriation and creating and providing for the appointment of a Board of Development devoted to the growth, advertisement and development of such counties; providing said appropriation to constitute a separate fund to be known as the Board of Development Fund; limiting the amount to be appropriated, describing certain duties for said board; making the Act cumulative of other laws authorizing such counties to appropriate such money; validating sums appropriated or expended for such purposes under previous Acts; restricting the authority to levy the tax provided for herein to counties of more than fifty thousand (50,000) population according to the most recent United States Census; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 918, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating, ratifying, confirming and approving certain contracts and agreements, scrip and interest-bearing time warrants authorized by counties in this State since the approval by the Governor of Texas, on June 8, 1953, of Chapter 382, Acts of the 53rd Legislature of Texas, Regular Session, 1953, validating the proceedings adopted by such Commissioners' Courts relating thereto; validating, ratifying, confirming and approving refunding bonds issued for the purpose of refunding time warrants and all proceedings relating to the issuance of refunding bonds for such purposes; providing that refunding bonds now in the process of being issued by any county in this State to refund any such warrants now outstanding may be issued irrespective of the fact that the Commissioners' Court in giving the notice of inten-

tion to issue such refunding bonds may not have in all respects complied with statutory provisions; providing that this Act shall not apply to any contract, scrip warrant or time warrant or to any refunding bond proceedings, orders, resolutions or other instruments, or bonds executed or issued by any county with a population in excess of three hundred thousand (300,000) inhabitants according to the last preceding Federal Census, or any contract, scrip, warrant or time warrant or any refunding bond proceedings, orders, resolutions or other instruments, or bonds the validity of which is now involved in litigation; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 923, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring out-of-county deer hunters in Jasper and Tyler Counties to obtain a slip from the county clerk of the county; limiting the number of days such persons may hunt deer in these counties during each open season; providing a penalty for violation; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 924, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting a local law for the maintenance of the public roads and highways in Bowie County by authorizing the County to issue certificates of indebtedness for the purpose of acquiring right-of-way for the designated State Highways, including Farm-to-Market Highways, or Federal Highways when the acquisition of such right-of-way is approved by the State Highway Commission; requiring the levy of a tax to pay such certificates and the interest thereon; requiring such certificates to be approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and prescribing the effect thereof; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 927, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of, and adding Section 7a to, Acts 1951, 52nd Legislature, House Bill No. 275, Chapter 125, as amended by Acts 1953, 53rd Legislature, House Bill 458, Chapter 97, to include Denton, Wise, and Parker Counties within the provisions of said Act and to provide for public hearings before adoption of rule, regulation or order; repealing all laws or parts thereof in conflict with this Act; providing effective date of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 931, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salary of the District Attorney of the 27th Judicial District of Texas; authorizing the Commissioners' Courts of the counties comprising the 27th Judicial District to supplement the salary of the District Attorney and providing the method of supplementation; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 932, A bill to be entitled "An Act closing the season for hunting wild turkeys in Jim Hogg County for a period of five years; providing penalty for violation of this Act; suspending conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 933, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the hunting of wild pheasants in Hidalgo County; prescribing the season and the conditions under which wild pheasants may be hunted, taken or killed; prohibiting the hunting, taking or killing of wild pheasants at any other season or under any other conditions and providing a penalty for violation; repealing conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act concerning public recreational programs and facilities; authorizing their establishment by cities, towns and school districts acting singly or jointly; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 318, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize counties to establish the office of public defender; providing qualifications; setting forth duties; providing for expenses and salary; providing for records and reports; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 378, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Game and Fish Commission to manage wildlife and/or fish on wildlife management areas along sound biological lines; including the authority to provide open and closed seasons and to prescribe bag limits, means, methods and conditions for taking same; providing for permits to hunt on such areas; making it unlawful to take wildlife or fish species taken from or attempt to take, or to possess at any area to which this Act applies at any time or in any numbers or by any means or under any conditions except as permitted by the Game and Fish Commission under the provisions of this

Act; containing repealing, saving, penalty and emergency clauses."

H. B. No. 390, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for any person to make or file a false or fraudulent report to police authorities alleging theft of vehicles; providing for a penalty for the violation of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 508, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the filing of an application to prospect land belonging to the State and the prospect rental payment; providing for the issuance of permits and the term thereof; providing for the filing of an application to lease and the payment therefor; providing for the issuance of leases and the term thereof; providing the royalty to be paid to the State; providing for the inclusion of such provisions in leases as the Commissioner of the General Land Office may deem necessary; providing the rental and minimum royalty payments; providing such payments shall be credited to the Permanent School Fund; providing for the assignment of permits and leases and the filing thereof in the General Land Office; providing that nothing herein shall affect existing rights; providing certain conditions upon which the owner of an existing valid permit may take advantage of this Act; declaring the provisions hereof severable; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring slaughterers of livestock to maintain records on livestock purchased or slaughtered by them, defining certain terms; prescribing an offense and fixing the penalty therefor; declaring the effect of this Act on other laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 703, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board for Texas State Hospitals and Special Schools to furlough certain aged, senile persons committed to State Hospitals as being insane or mentally ill; providing for said Board to contract to pay a sum not exceeding thirty dollars per month of the amount charged by convalescent and nursing homes for maintaining and caring for any such person; providing for reimbursement to the State of any funds so expended and defining

those legally liable for such reimbursement; providing that if any provision of this Act shall be held invalid, the validity of other provisions shall not be affected; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 707, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1 of Article IV of House Bill No. 8, Chapter 184, Acts of the Forty-seventh Legislature, p. 269 (1941), codified as Paragraph (2) of Article 7070, Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 732, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection (a) of Section 2, and Section 3, and Section 13, of Chapter 173 of the Acts of the 47th Legislature, 1941, being Subsection (a) of Section 2, and Section 3, and Section 13, of Article 6687b of Vernon's Civil Statutes, and adding a new Section 3a to said Chapter 173, to make certain things matters of defense rather than matters of exemption; to require every person required to have a license to have and display same on demand; defining an offense and prescribing a penalty; providing that the State shall not have to prove the accused to be a license; defining the application of the Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 739, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 908, Chapter 6 of the Penal Code of Texas, repealing all laws in conflict with the Act; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 743, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the sale with reservation of minerals of certain state-owned lands in Nueces County to either the City of Corpus Christi or Nueces County; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 841, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to veterinary medicine and surgery; amending The Veterinary Licensing Act (Article 7465a, Vernon's Revised Statutes) by making further provisions for licensing of veterinarians; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 869, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the open season for hunting deer in Newton County during the calendar years 1955 through 1959; providing a penalty

for violation; suspending conflicting laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 875, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Section 59, Article 16 of the Constitution, to be known as 'South Main Street Municipal Water District,' setting forth certain powers of said district; providing for an election; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 876, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of House Bill No. 267, Acts 1953, 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, being Chapter 120 of the General and Special Laws, 1953, as amended so as to include Blanco County in the provisions thereof; providing for the effective date and duration of this Act; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 862, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a Conservation District under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution comprising certain territory contained within Harris County, Texas, without power of taxation, for the purpose of providing a source of water supply for municipal, domestic and industrial use and processing, transporting and distributing the same and to purchase or acquire existing water systems, and to purchase, acquire or construct additions, extensions or improvements thereto, and to purchase, acquire or construct sanitary sewer systems, and to purchase, acquire or construct additions, extensions or improvements thereto; providing for a Board of Directors for the government of said District, providing for an election for the confirmation of the powers of the District; authorizing the District to do all things necessary to make available for municipal and industrial uses, the water from underground and other sources, and water may be obtained by purchase, lease and operation contracts with cities, persons, firms, corporations and public agencies; authorizing the issuance of bonds and providing for payment and security thereof, and for refunding bonds and for the approval and registration of said bonds and refunding bonds; making applicable to the District, Title 52, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as amended, relating to eminent domain and certain general

laws relating to Water Control and Improvement Districts; prescribing the other powers of the District; providing a saving clause; enacting other provisions relating to this subject; finding a benefit; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 892, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article I, Chapter 467, Acts of the Second Called Session of the Forty-fourth Legislature (1935) by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 25 (b), authorizing the Commissioners Courts of counties having a population of 800,000 or more to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in a zone within three hundred feet of the Courthouse, or a Civil Courts Building, or a Criminal Courts Building, or Jail or Courthouse Annex or Branch Courthouse, or other building in which a court or courts of the State or County may be held or prisoners kept; and providing a method of measuring such distance of three hundred feet; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 893, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Section 59, Article 16, of the Constitution, to be known as 'Boling Municipal Water District'; setting forth certain powers of said district; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 896, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to fishing in Milam County; amending Section 1 of Chapter 175, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, so as to legalize the use of gill nets in Milam County; providing the effect of this Act on other laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 900, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under the provisions of Section 59, Article 16 of the Constitution, to be known as 'Steubner Airline Municipal Water District'; setting forth certain powers of said district; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 911, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending House Bill No. 407, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1954, which created the West Central Texas Municipal Water Dis-

trict, by adding a section providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 919, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment of an investigator by the county attorney upon approval of the commissioners' court, in counties of more than 40,000 population; prescribing his powers and providing for the giving of bond; providing for his compensation and expenses; stating the effect of this Act on other laws; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 315, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 8 of Chapter 271, General Laws of the Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session, 1931, as amended (codified as Section 8 of Article 5421c in Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) relating to the leasing of tidelands and certain public lands of the State of Texas by adding provisions conferring the right of eminent domain and authorizing condemnation of land by the School Land Board, its lessees and assignees."

H. B. No. 929, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting a local law for the maintenance of Public Highways for Hidalgo County, to become operative after an election shall have been held and carried in said county; authorizing the Tax Collector of Hidalgo County to collect certain amounts of money from owners of such vehicles; requiring owners of such vehicles, upon which the registration fee is required to be paid in Hidalgo County, to pay such money to the Tax Collector; prohibiting the operation of any such vehicle on the roads, highways or streets of Hidalgo County without the payment of such money; adopting the provisions of Article 827a of the Penal Code; adopting definitions of words and terms as given in the Act providing for registration by the State Highway Department; directing that the money collected be placed in a fund of the County to be used solely for the purpose of purchasing right-of-way in the County on designated State Highways, or State and Federal Highways in the County, irrespective of the location thereof within or outside of the corporate boundaries of towns and cities; authorizing the Commissioners' Court to issue and sell bonds, secured solely by pledge of all or a designated part of such fund. In the manner prescribed herein, upon condition that no ad valorem tax shall ever be levied and collected to pay the principal of



and interest of such bonds; containing a provision that while any such bonds are outstanding the authority to make such collections is irrepealable; limiting the use of the proceeds on such bonds to the acquisition of such right-of-way; providing for calling said election; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act; containing a severability provision; enacting other provisions related to the subject; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 908, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Runnels County Colorado River Water and Soil Conservation District as a body politic and corporate, pursuant to Section 59 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas; fixing its boundaries; defining and specifying its powers; conferring upon it all the powers conferred by General Law upon districts created pursuant to said Section 16, except as expressly limited; conferring certain other powers thereon, including the power to control, store, preserve, use, distribute and sell the waters of the Colorado River, to develop, generate, distribute, and sell water power and electric energy, to acquire property by condemnation and otherwise, to construct, maintain, use, and operate facilities, to make contracts, borrow money, to create and issue negotiable bonds for cash, property or refunding purposes on certain terms and conditions, and in connection therewith to pledge all or any part of its revenues; providing for accepting aid from and cooperating with the Federal Government, State Government, and to cooperate with and assist other soil and water districts and associations, organized for soil and water conservation; providing for Board of Directors and prescribing their duties and powers; providing for other officers, agents, and employees; for fiscal management of the District; prescribing all necessary details; providing that the District may not levy or collect taxes or other assessments or in any other way pledge the credit of the State; providing that no director, officer, agent, or employee of the District shall be interested in any contract of the District, making violation thereof a felony, and providing a penalty, providing that if any provision of the Act shall be invalid, the validity of the remainder shall not be affected, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 374, A bill to be entitled

"An Act prescribing the minimum and maximum salaries that may be paid certain precinct, county, and district officials named in this Act; providing the method of fixing the salaries of these officials; repealing all other laws applicable to the compensation of precinct, county and district officials compensated on a salary basis with the exception of the compensation paid county judges who serve as members of the juvenile boards and county judges who serve as ex-officio county superintendents; providing that this Act shall not repeal any statute which allows the assessors and collectors of taxes additional or supplemental salaries for services performed in the administration of the Certificate of Title Act; providing further that the provisions of this Act shall not repeal any valid road and bridge law in any county in this state; providing that the salaries of the officials named in this Act shall be paid out of the Officers' Salary Fund of their respective counties with exception that the salaries of county commissioners and county judges may be paid in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of House Bill No. 84, Acts of the 49th Legislature, Regular Session, 1945, (Article 2350 (1) of Vernon's Civil Statutes); providing that in arriving at the compensation of various officials that the commissioners' courts shall consider the financial condition of their respective counties and the duties and needs of their officials and, in no event, shall the salary of any official exceed the maximum compensation prescribed for the officials of that county by this Act; providing that the county commissioners shall not set their salaries at a figure higher than the salary paid the highest paid official within their respective counties; naming the officials governed by the provisions of this Act; providing that all fees and commissions earned and collected by the officials named in this Act shall be paid into the County Treasury in accordance with the provisions of Section 61 of Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas; providing for a severability clause and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 882, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the election of school trustees by separate positions in certain independent school districts; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 904, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for additional compensation from county funds for certain District Judges; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 925, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for additional compensation from county funds for certain district judges; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. J. R. 46, Proposing an amendment to Article XVI, Section 1, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, changing the form of the Oath of Office to include appointive Officers of the State.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 541 by viva voce vote.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 156 by vote of 98 ayes, 5 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 223 by vote of 108 ayes, 0 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to House bill No. 866 by vica voce vote.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 41 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 47 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 50 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 58 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 60 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 65 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 66 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 57 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 34 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House has concurred in Senate amendments to H. C. R. No. 81 by vote of 137 ayes, 2 noes.

The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 368 and has requested the appointment of a Conference Committee to consider the differences between the two Houses.

The House refused to concur in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 366 and has requested the appointment of a Conference Committee to consider the differences between the two Houses.

Respectfully submitted,  
DOROTHY HALLMAN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### Senate Bill 318 with House Amendments

Senator Fuller called S. B. No. 318 from the President's table for consideration of the House amendments to the bill.

The Presiding Officer laid the bill and House amendments before the Senate, and the House amendments were read.

Senator Fuller moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments.

The motion prevailed.

#### Senator Hardeman Directed to Serve as Acting President of the Senate

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate and directed the Reading Clerk to read the following communication:

I, Crawford Martin, President Pro Tempore of the Senate of Texas for the Regular Session of the 54th Legislature, do hereby appoint and designate Senator Dorsey B. Hardeman to occupy the Chair and serve as President of the Senate during the temporary absence from the Senate of Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey and of myself. This May 2, 1955.

CRAWFORD MARTIN,  
President Pro Tempore

The communication was read and was unanimously adopted by the Senate.

#### Bills and Resolutions Signed

The Acting President of the Senate

signed in the presence of the Senate, after the captions had been read, the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 123, Requesting Governor to return H. B. No. 377 to House.

H. C. R. No. 39, Granting Billy C. Mulkey permission to sue the State of Texas and the Texas Highway Dept.

H. C. R. No. 67, Granting permission to Gerald B. Phipps to sue the State.

H. C. R. No. 17, Granting permission to F. C. Fry to sue the State of Texas.

H. C. R. No. 40, Granting permission for Pete G. Fonseca to sue the State of Texas.

H. B. No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 21.11 of the Insurance Code by adding to such Article a provision to allow Texas Local Recording Insurance Agents to divide commissions, within certain limits, with Licensed Non-Resident Insurance Agents; defining Licensed Non-Resident Insurance Agents; providing for cancellation of Non-Resident Insurance Agents license; providing for the licensing and supervision of such non-resident agents; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 542, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 1056 of the Code of Criminal Procedure as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 379 of the Acts of the 53rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, to increase the pay of jurors in criminal cases in Justice Courts and provide for payment thereof out of the jury fund of the county; and amending Article 2428 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925 to increase the pay of jurors in civil cases in Justice Courts and provide for payment thereof out of the jury fund of the county; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 454, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the appointment by the District Attorney for the 109th Judicial District of Texas, of not more than two (2) Assistant District Attorneys or Investigators; fixing the compensation and expenses of said Assistant District Attorneys or Investigators and providing the method of payment therefor; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 478, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6636 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as to fees of County Clerks relating to Transfers of Judgments; containing a repealing clause and a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 642, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of one Adult Probation Officer if such an officer has not been assigned to a court and/or district in Travis County as provided by Chapter 452, Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947; to provide for the appointment of a secretary; to provide for the payment of such salaries of such officer and one secretary and all reasonable and necessary expenses of such officer out of the general fund of the county; to provide qualifications and outline the authority of probation officer; to authorize the Commissioners' Court to amend the county budget for fiscal year of 1955 to provide for the salaries and expenses of such probation officer and his secretary; to provide that nothing herein shall be construed as repealing Chapter 452, Acts of the 50th Legislature, 1947, except as to provide an alternate method of appointment and reimbursement of a probation officer and his secretary; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 856, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend subsection (q) of Sec. 19 of S. B. No. 5, Chapter 465, Acts of the Second Called Session of the 44th Legislature, by changing the date that the officials named in said Act shall file their reports to the District Clerk from the 15th day of January following the close of the fiscal year to the first day of February following the close of the fiscal year; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 672, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sec. 6A(e), Chapter 295, Acts of the Regular Session of the 49th Legislature, 1945, codified as Article 4437a, Sec. 6A(e) of Vernon's Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a provision defining the term 'bona fide residents of the county' as therein used; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 696, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 3, 4 and 9 of Chapter 90, Acts of the Forty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, 1945, regulating and governing

Boards for certain Navigation Districts in this State; providing for and regulating the method and manner of making contracts; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 682, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that no action shall be brought against any employer upon any assignment of wages by an employee unless such employer has written notice thereof and assents to such assignment in writing; providing a savings clause; providing a repealing clause; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 713, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Sulphur River Municipal Water District, a Conservation District under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution, comprising the territory contained within the cities of Cooper, Commerce and Sulphur Springs, for the purpose of providing a source of water supply for Municipal, Domestic and Industrial use and processing and transporting the same; and for providing sewage disposal facilities as an aid to conservation of water; providing for the annexation of additional territory thereto; providing for a Board of Directors for the government of said district; etc.; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 531, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to bring or carry intoxicating beverages into any inclosure, stadium or field where athletic events sponsored or participated in by the public schools of this State are being held; providing for the confiscation of such beverages and providing for a penalty for a violation hereof."

H. B. No. 244, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful to take, hunt, kill, or attempt to kill wild quail in Andrews County for a period of three (3) years from and after the effective date of this Act; providing a penalty therefor; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 867, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 105 of the Penal Code of Texas, 1925, by adding provisions permitting officials of counties of 800,000 or more population to dispense with quarterly reports required by this article when such moneys and fees to be reported are on deposit with the county treasurer and subject to withdrawal only by warrants approved by the county

auditor, and requiring such items to be made a part of the annual reports of fees; and declaring an emergency."

#### Senate Bill 73 on Second Reading

Senator Lock asked unanimous consent to suspend the regular order of business and take up S. B. No. 73 for consideration at this time.

There was objection.

Senator Lock then moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up S. B. No. 73 for consideration at this time.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas—24

Aikin	McDonald
Ashley	Moffett
Colson	Owen
Fly	Parkhouse
Fuller	Ratliff
Hardeman	Roberts
Hazlewood	Rogers of Travis
Kazen	Secrest
Kelley	Shireman
Lane	Strauss
Latimer	Wagonseller
Lock	Willis

#### Nays—2

Bracewell	Phillips
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#### Absent

Moore	Rogers of Childress
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#### Absent—Excused

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate on its second reading and passage to engrossment the following bill:

S. B. No. 73, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to pay the principal of a certain judgment obtained against The State of Texas in Cause No. 100009 styled Arkansas Fuel Oil Corporation, et al., vs. The State of Texas, in the District Court of Travis County, Texas, according to the tenor, effect and reading of such judgment; providing that only the principal of such judgment be paid and that no interest be paid thereon; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Question—Shall S. B. No. 73 be passed to engrossment?

**House Bills and Resolution on First Reading**

The following resolution and House bills received from the House today were read first time and referred to the committees indicated:

H. B. No. 12, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 32, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. J. R. No. 46, To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

H. B. No. 131, To the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

H. B. No. 226, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 263, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 267, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 286, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 298, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 315, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 318, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 342, To the Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

H. B. No. 343, To the Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

H. B. No. 373, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 374, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 378, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 390, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 396, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 404, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 409, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 443, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 470, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 508, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 525, To the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 528, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 574, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 577, To the Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

H. B. No. 593, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 610, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 614, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 629, To the Committee on Finance.

H. B. No. 630, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 640, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 674, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 675, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 676, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 680, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 681, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 688, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 691, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 703, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 707, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 709, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 732, To the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 736, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 739, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 740, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 742, To the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

H. B. No. 743, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 748, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 755, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 765, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 774, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 777, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 803, To the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 811, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 816, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 829, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 834, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 837, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 841, To the Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

H. B. No. 857, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 862, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 869, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 870, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 874, To the Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 875, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 876, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 879, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 880, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 881, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 882, To the Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 883, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 884, To the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

H. B. No. 886, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 888, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 889, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 890, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 891, To the Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 892, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 893, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 894, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 895, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 896, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 898, To the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

H. B. No. 899, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 900, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 904, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 905, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 908, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 909, To the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 910, To the Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

H. B. No. 911, To the Committee on Water Rights, Irrigation and Drainage.

H. B. No. 912, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 916, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 917, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 918, To the Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

H. B. No. 919, To the Committee on State Affairs.

H. B. No. 923, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 924, To the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic.

H. B. No. 925, To the Committee on Finance.

H. B. No. 927, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 929, To the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

H. B. No. 931, To the Committee on Finance.

H. B. No. 932, To the Committee on Game and Fish.

H. B. No. 933, To the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

H. B. No. 752, To the Committee on State Affairs.

#### House Bill 803 Re-referred

On motion of Senator Lane and by unanimous consent, H. B. No. 803 was withdrawn from the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic and re-referred to the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

#### House Bill 924 Re-referred

On motion of Senator Aikin and by unanimous consent, H. B. No. 924

was withdrawn from the Committee on State Highways and Motor Traffic and re-referred to the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

#### House Bill 880 Re-referred

On motion of Senator Kelley and by unanimous consent, H. B. No. 880 was withdrawn from the Committee on Judicial Districts and re-referred to the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

#### House Concurrent Resolution 127 on Second Reading

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate on its second reading the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 127, Recalling H. B. No. 861 from the Governor for Correction.

The resolution was read the second time and was adopted.

#### Senate Bill 403 on Second Reading

On motion of Senator Aikin and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration at this time on its second reading and passage to engrossment:

S. B. No. 403, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 64, Acts of the Fifty-third Legislature by making such Act applicable to revenue bonds hereafter voted as well as to those heretofore voted; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

#### Senate Bill 403 on Third Reading

Senator Aikin moved that Senate Rule 32 and the Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate Bill No. 403 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—25

Aikin	Lane
Bracewell	Lock
Colson	McDonald
Fly	Moffett
Fuller	Moore
Hardeman	Owen
Kazen	Parkhouse
Kelley	Phillips

Ratliff	Secrest
Roberts	Shireman
Rogers	Strauss
of Childress	Wagonseller
Rogers of Travis	Willis

Absent

Ashley	Latimer
Hazlewood	

Absent—Excused

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

The Presiding Officer then laid the bill before the Senate on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24

Aikin	Parkhouse
Bracewell	Phillips
Colson	Ratliff
Fly	Roberts
Fuller	Rogers
Hardeman	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Lane	Shireman
Lock	Strauss
McDonald	Wagonseller
Moore	Willis
Owen	

Nays—1

Moffett

Absent

Ashley	Latimer
Hazlewood	

Absent—Excused

Corbin	Weinert
Martin	

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Shireman, the Senate at 12:57 o'clock p. m. adjourned until 10:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

## FIFTY-FOURTH DAY

(Tuesday, May 3, 1955)

The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present:

Aikin	Moffett
Ashley	Moore
Bracewell	Owen
Colson	Parkhouse
Corbin	Phillips
Fly	Ratliff
Fuller	Roberts
Hardeman	Rogers
Hazlewood	of Childress
Kazen	Rogers of Travis
Kelley	Secrest
Lane	Shireman
Latimer	Strauss
Lock	Wagonseller
Martin	Willis
McDonald	

Absent—Excused

Weinert

A quorum was announced present.

Reverend W. H. Townsend, Chaplain, offered the invocation as follows:

"O God our Father, 'Where there is no vision, the people perish.' Open our spiritual eyes that we may see Thy servant who cried, 'Woe is me! . . . for I am a man of unclean lips'; and as we begin our work today, make us deeply conscious of Thy presence, Thy purity, and Thy power. For Christ's sake. Amen."

On motion of Senator Aikin, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

## Leave of Absence

Senator Weinert was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness in the family on motion of Senator Lane.

## Reports of Standing Committees

Senator Hardeman submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas,  
May 3, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred H. B. No. 554, have had the same under consideration, and we are instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended, and be printed.

HARDEMAN, Chairman.

Austin, Texas,  
May 3, 1955.

Hon. Ben Ramsey, President of the Senate.